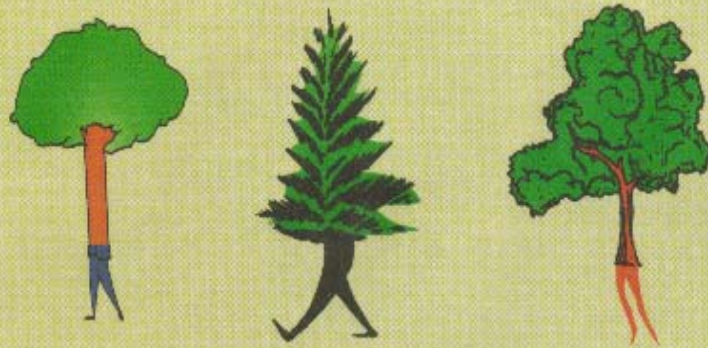


## MEN AS TREES, WALKING



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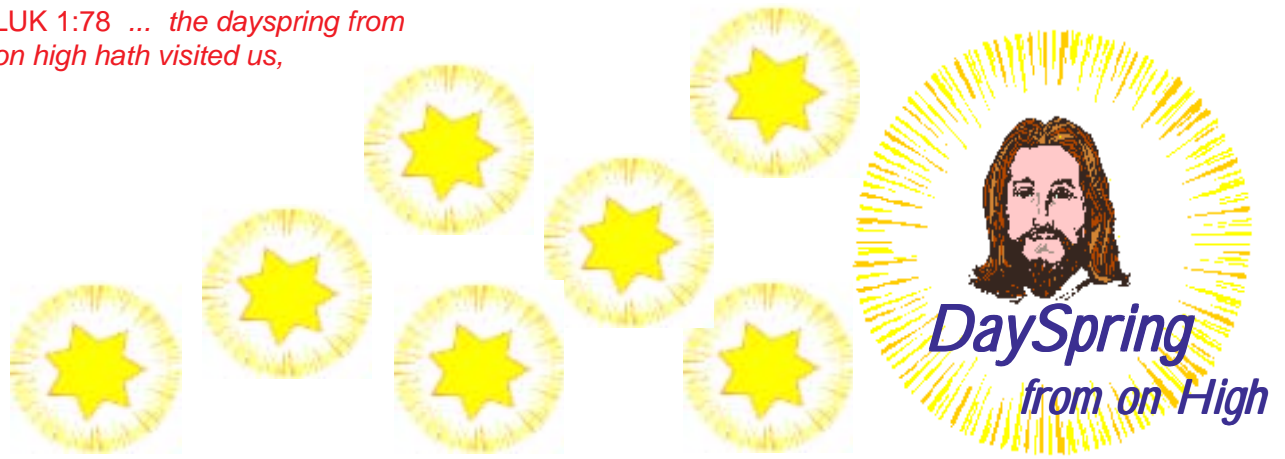
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## MEN AS TREES, WALKING

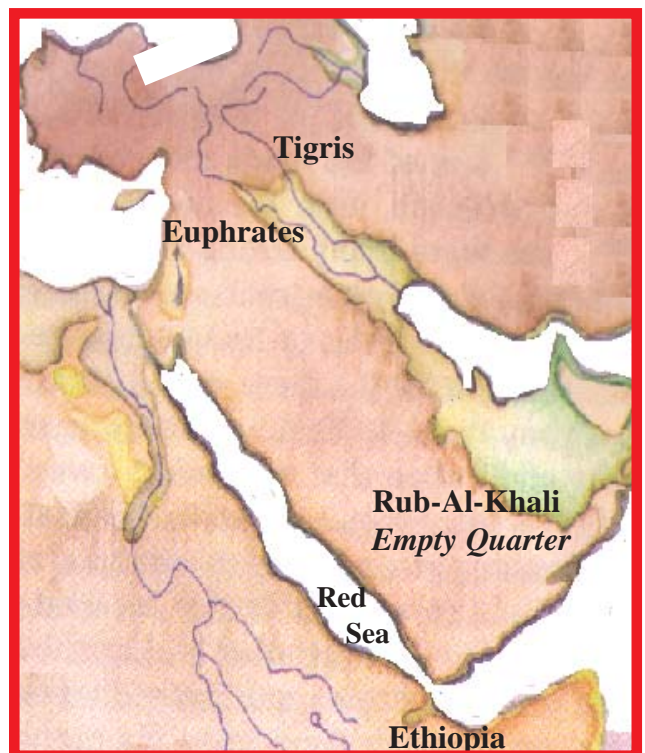
GEN 2:8 And the LORD God planted **a garden eastward in Eden**; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow **every tree that is pleasant to the sight**, and good for food; **the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.**

Where is the garden eastward in Eden located? The scriptures give us some clues as to location. *And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads. The name of the first is **Pison** ....And the name of the second river is **Gihon**: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia. And the name of the third river is **Hiddekel** [Tigris]: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is **Euphrates**.* GEN 2:10-14

We know where the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers are located. But what about the Pison and Gihon Rivers? Bible scholars have speculated about these for years. There is a very barren area in southeastern Arabia called Rub-Al-Khali which means the "empty quarter". Some have proposed that this desolate area was the original site of the garden in Eden.

## WAS THE GARDEN IN EDEN LOCATED IN THE EMPTY QUARTER OF ARABIA?



It was also in a desert area that Moses encountered the burning bush. The scriptures tell us that Moses was highly intrigued by this bush - because it burned and yet was not consumed. And further, Moses saw the appearance of the angel of the Lord in the bush.

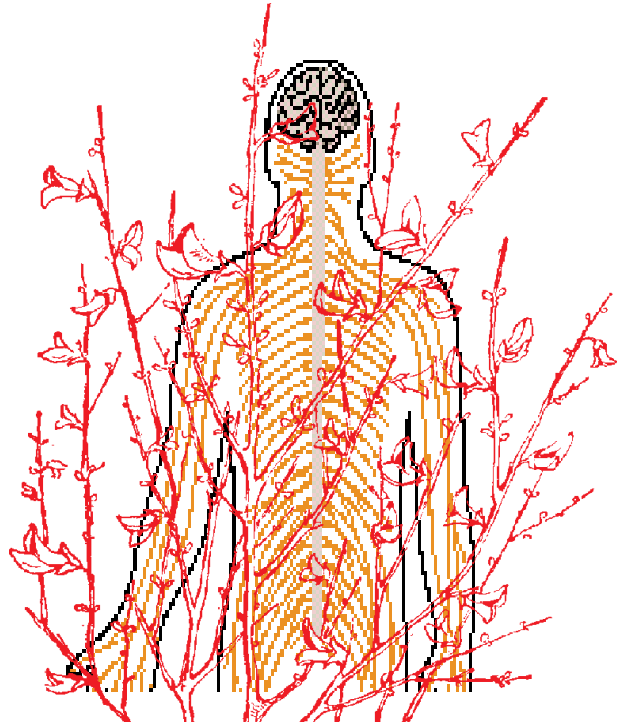
EXO 3:1 Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, **and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.**

**2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.**

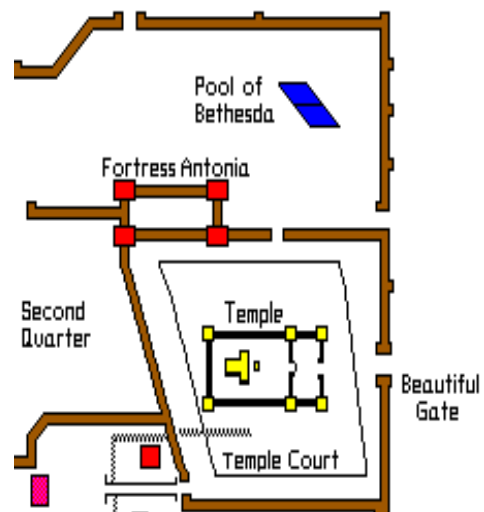
3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, **why the bush is not burnt.**

4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, **God called unto him out of the midst of the bush,** and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

## WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THE BURNING BUSH?



Should we board a plane and fly to the empty quarter to look for the garden in Eden? Or should we try to find the actual site of Mount Horeb (*means dried up*). Or, is it possible that this garden and this burning bush is in another realm than the natural realm in which we always look first? Suppose that we want to find the temple. We can fly to Jerusalem and find the remains of the temple that existed in the days that Jesus walked the earth. Some of the gates and foundation stones according to the adjacent map, still exist today. And we have beautiful descriptions of how Solomon's temple was furnished. And the temple built by Herod was, to a degree copied from this. But, if we want to find the true temple of God, should we be getting our plane tickets and departing for Jerusalem? Certainly, many of the Hebrews would say yes. But, how did Jesus describe the true temple? Did He not present a truth that was not understood by the natural realm?



JOH 2:18 Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things?

19 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.**

20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?

21 **But he spake of the temple of his body.**

So, we now ask the question again, is it possible that we might be looking in the wrong places for the true garden in Eden and the true burning bush? Everywhere that we go looking, we are looking outward. Should we not concern ourselves as much with the outward natural realm and look within our very own being to find what we are searching for. Is not the kingdom of God within us?

LUK 17:20 And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:

21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! **for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.**

1TH 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God **your whole spirit and soul and body** be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It has been taught that there are seven dimensions to the interpretation of scripture. The first three are past, present, and future and yet they are all interconnected. The words of Jesus concerning the mysteries of time were recorded by Thomas as follows: *Have you then discovered the beginning so that you inquire about the end? **For where the beginning is, there shall be the end.** Blessed is he who shall stand at the beginning, and he shall know the end and not taste death. Blessed is he who was before he came into being.* A very important key was given to the rainbow angel or Revelation chapter 10 concerning time and being able to step outside of the boundaries of time's limitations.

REV 10:6 And swear by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, **that there should be time no longer:**

7 **But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished,** as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

Three further dimensions of interpretation of scriptures are spirit, soul, and body. Unfortunately, we have been taught inside out and our world is more oriented to the natural realm of the body and the inner realm of the spirit is largely veiled from most of mankind. The psychologists and the psychiatrists represent most of the man's learning about the hidden, internal parts of man. However, their learning, by definition, is limited to the psyche (or psuche), which, in the Greek, is interpreted as the soul.

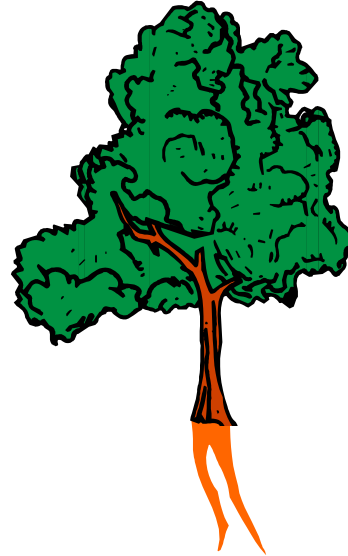
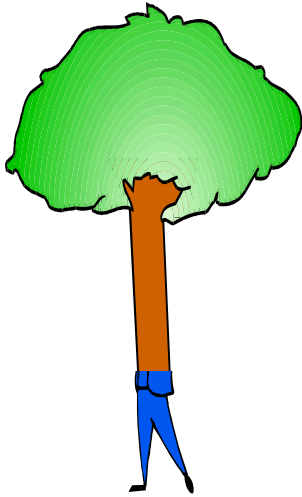
MAT 16:25 For whosoever will save his life [# 5590 psuche] shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life [# 5590 psuche] for my sake shall find it.

26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul [# 5590 psuche]? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul [# 5590 psuche]?

The seventh dimension of interpretation, we will mention here, but not dwell upon it in this writing. This can be found in Hebrews 2:8, 11 and I Corinthians 15:23-28. This is a process that ultimately arrives at a conclusion "that God may be all in all" and all things have completed the circle back to El Elyon, the Most High (or the Highest Expression of the Nature of) God.

In this writing, we will begin that elusive search for the central consciousness of man that has eluded even the most learned psychologists and psychiatrists - that hidden inner man called our spirit. What is this hidden man and where is he located? For we must journey deep within to find the beginnings of the kingdom of God within us. We will see that the soul is the feminine lover that is being courted by the inner husband of the spirit and yet is tempted by the "other spirit" which is the spirit of the outer world. Yes, we are just as interested as the next person in the tribulations and problems and prophecies concerning this world, but if we resolve the problems within our very own being, then, and only then, are we able to deal with the problems of the world. When we find and dwell in that secret place of the High, then it will be true that, "*A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.*" PSA 91:7

# I SEE MEN AS TREES, WALKING



MAR 8:22 And he cometh to Bethsaida [*house of fish*]; and **they bring a blind man unto him**, and besought him to touch him.

23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and **when he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him**, he asked him if he saw ought.

24 And he looked up, and said, **I see men as trees, walking.**

25 After that he put his hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and **he was restored, and saw every man clearly.**

26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, **Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town..**

What a strange account. Why would the man see men as trees walking? And then why would Jesus pray for him twice, wasn't once enough? Then, why was this something that the man should not go into the town and tell? Is this story symbolic of something else? For example, John saw Jesus as a Lamb with seven eyes and seven horns. Now, should we expect Jesus to look like a slain lamb with seven eyes and seven horns? Folks, you know that this is not taken literally, but the symbol that John saw was symbolic of the nature and calling of Jesus. So, lets take away the blinders of trying to see everything in the natural, body realm only. Perhaps, the scripture about the trees has a threefold interpretation in the body, soul, and spirit realm.

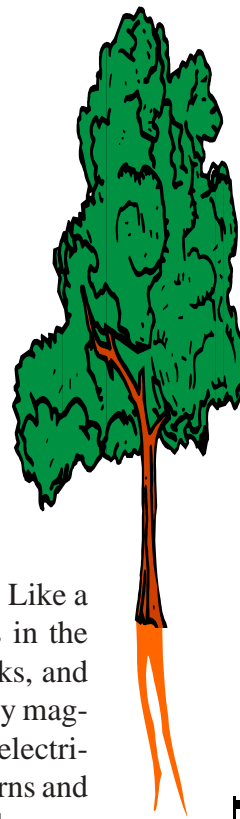
Today, there are numerous books written about near death experiences. And, in a number of them, the onset of death is described as a stinging type sensation that begins in the extremities of the hands and feet and then progresses toward the body. Have you ever crossed your legs for a length of time and then got up and found yourself walking on "pins and needles?" This is because the nerve transmissions have been impeded and the electromagnetic transmission system of the body is deadened. What is this thing called a human spirit that seems to withdraw at death and suddenly leave the body? And yet, it is commonly reported that it has somewhat of the form of the body, but doctors and nurses in a Hospital can walk right through it without seeing it. It even seems to have weight; for experiments have shown that in the death experience, the weight of the body decreases by a little less than an ounce. (Job 28:24,25).

# THE HUMAN NERVOUS SYSTEM

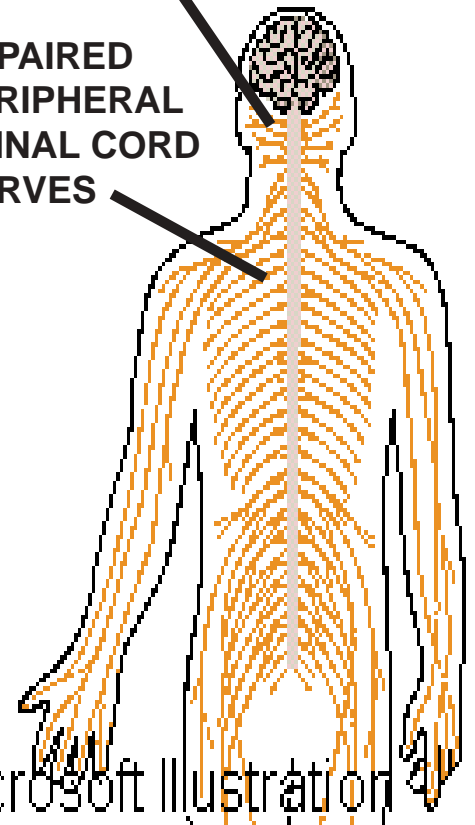
In the human nervous system, we find two discrete nerve tree systems. One system is called the cranial nerve system because it primarily serves the head or cranium. It consists of twelve, paired nerves which, in total, represent 24 nerves. These are the 24 master or "elder" nerves of our body. *And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.* REV 4:4.

In addition to the cranial nerves, we have the 31 paired, peripheral nerves that enter the cranium through the spinal column. These nerves serve the body. Like a tree, these nervous systems have leaves in the brain, a tree trunk of communication links, and roots that spread out in the extremities. By magnetic resonance imaging, we can see the electrical activity of this "burning bush" that burns and yet is not destroyed. The next several pages illustrate more similarities between trees and nerves.

## 12 PAIRED CRANIAL NERVES



31 PAIRED PERIPHERAL SPINAL CORD NERVES



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## THE RIVER OF CONSCIOUSNESS

THE TREE OF LIFE



TWELVE MANNER OF FRUIT ON EACH SIDE OF THE RIVER

REV 22:1 And he shewed me a **pure river of water of life**, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

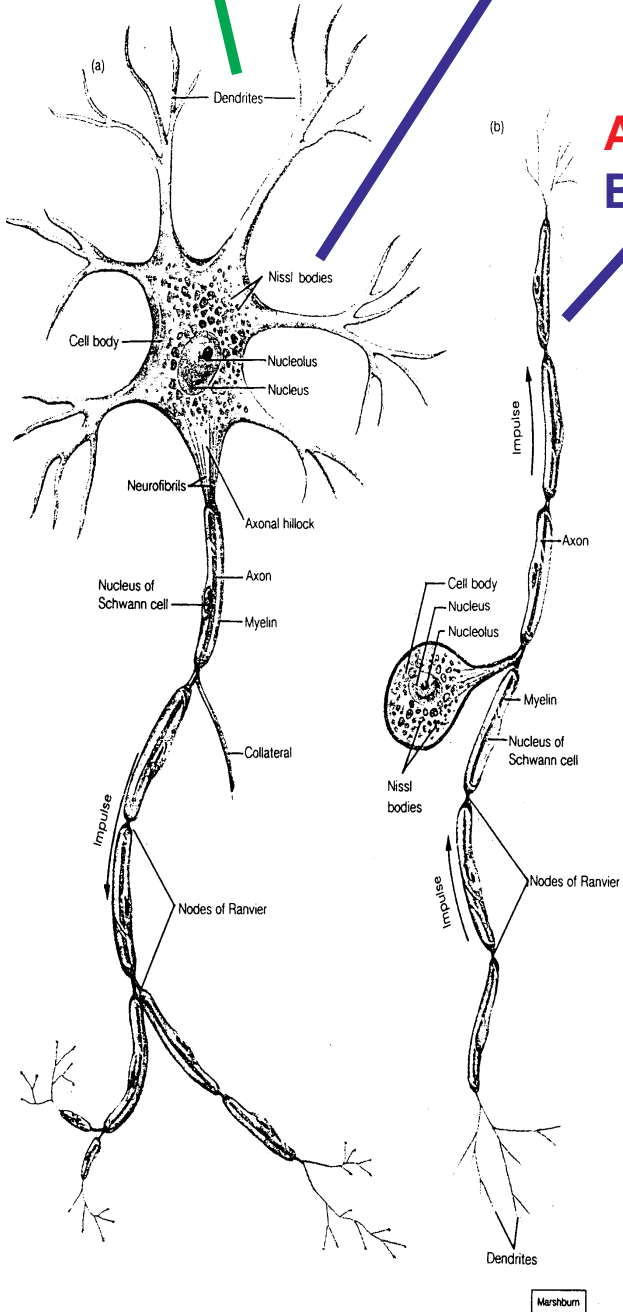
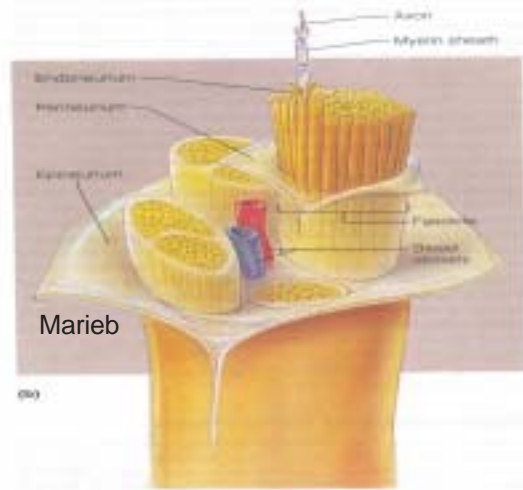
2 In the midst of the street of it, **and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits**, and yielded her fruit every month: and **the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.**

# THE NERVE TREES

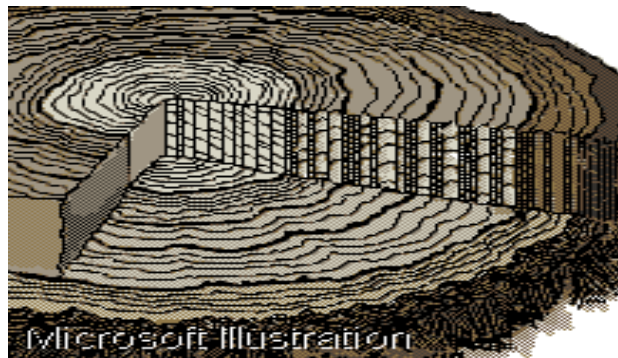
## NERVE CELL TRUNK

**EFFERENT NERVE - FROM BRAIN TO BODY (LEAVES OF THE TREES)**

**Dendrite**  
[means pertaining to a tree]



**AFFERENT NERVE - FROM BODY TO BRAIN (ROOTS)**



"The sapwood of the axis functions to carry water and dissolved mineral nutrients upward from the soil to the leaves (see OSMOSIS). In the leaves the water is used, in combination with carbon dioxide taken in through the leaves, in a process of food manufacture called photosynthesis. The sapwood also transports the gaseous products of respiration, which occurs in all living cells of the plant, to the leaves, from which the gases are released into the atmosphere. Food, manufactured by photosynthesis, and oxygen, absorbed from the air and used in respiration, are transported downward to the roots by the phloem."

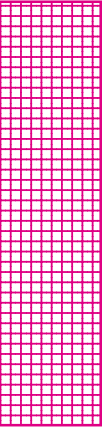
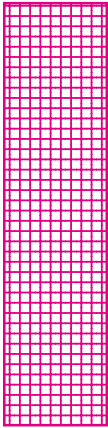
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(a) Motor neuron and (b) sensory neuron.

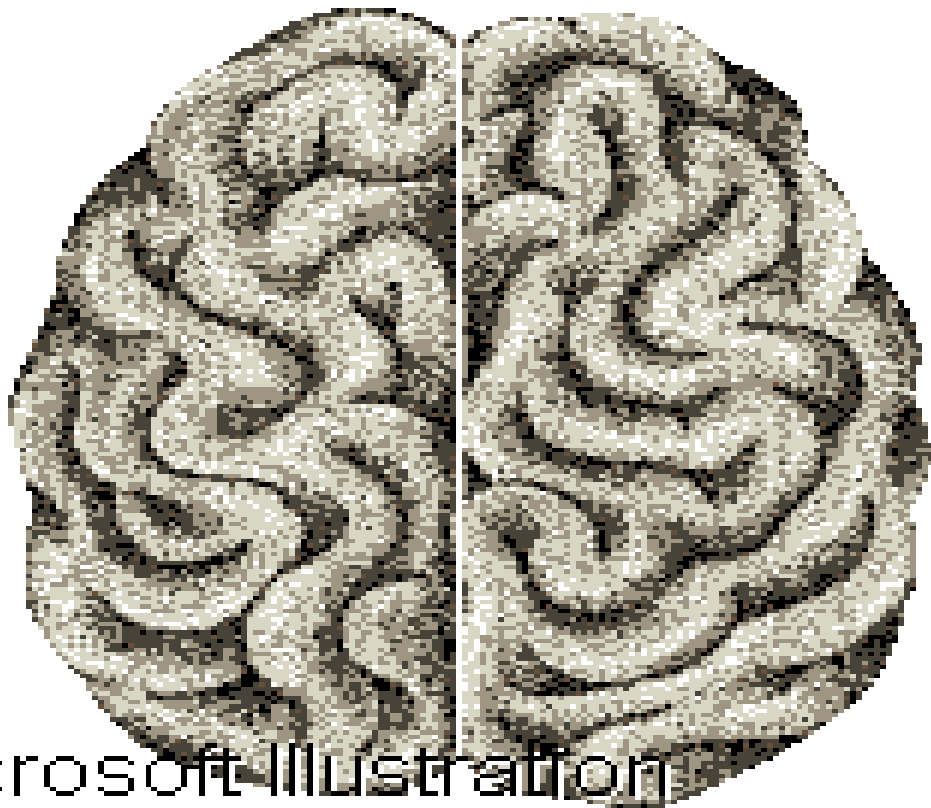


The nerve trees are not the only parts of the body that are represented by symbol in the scriptures. The cherubim represent the hemispheres of the brain or the leaves of the trees. Curiously enough, like the cherubim in the temple, the hemispheres of the brain touch in the middle and touch the walls. Truly, the kingdom of God is within us.

## THE CHARIOT OF THE CHERUBIMS



**1KI 6:27** And he set the **cherubims within the inner house:** and they stretched forth the wings of the cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house.



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**The brain touches the wall of the cranium, but it is not part of the cranium. The two lobes of the brain touch in the middle.**

PSA 8:4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels [*elohim*], and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

What is this creation that we call man? The scriptures tell us that he was made a little lower than the *elohim* (small "e") and that God has great plans for man. *Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put under him.* <sup>HEB 2:8</sup> But, it is obvious that man, in his worldly wisdom, is unable to answer the question of what is man? Yes, the medical doctors to a degree understand the body and the learned psychologists and psychiatrists to a degree understand the psyche or soul. But, worldly wisdom completely strikes out when it comes to understanding the spirit. So, in order to understand how man was created, we will use an earthly example of something that man has created - a computer. *If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?* <sup>JOH 3:12</sup>



The big day comes and we bring the computer home and set it up. And yet, as we look at it, it is inanimate - it consists of glass, iron, carbon based plastics, silicon from rock, brass and copper from the earth. *Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt thou bring me into dust again?* <sup>JOB 10:9</sup> But, we have confidence that this collection of components made from the dust of the earth will come to life. We make all the connections and we plug it in to a source of power, and what was dead and lifeless suddenly begins to show activity.

JOH 1:7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light ...

8 He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.

9 That was the true Light, **which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.**

10 He was in the world, **and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.**

It seems that this computer came with an executive program which, when activated by power, causes it to function and to literally light up with activity. We would liken this to the spirit (or heart) of the computer. And yet, even though most computers are constructed in a similar manner, and have similar components, great business tasks (soul garment files) are done on some of them, and others seem to sit idly by and very little is accomplished before their time of use is completed and they are discarded.\* *If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth not he know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his works?* <sup>PRO 24:12</sup> \* We have also heard that some of these Power users received a free manufacturer's upgrade as described in the first and second chapter of Act's Computer Handbook. Is an another, even more powerful upgrade coming?

Like the computer, our mind has gates and connections where information flows to and from the outer and the inner. The central nervous system has twelve gates (nerve pairs) which process information. If you do not believe that these are gates, just put your hand over your eye gate and try to continue reading this. A representation of these twelve gates is shown on the adjacent page. Notice that there is a vagus nerve which extends down into the body. We will call this the Joseph gate where the Joseph nerve goes down into the inner being. And, along with the vagus nerve, we have the accessory nerve which goes through what we would call the Benjamin gate to the neck and shoulders. For Joseph and Benjamin are brothers.

# THE TWELVE GATES OF THE BRIDE (SOUL)

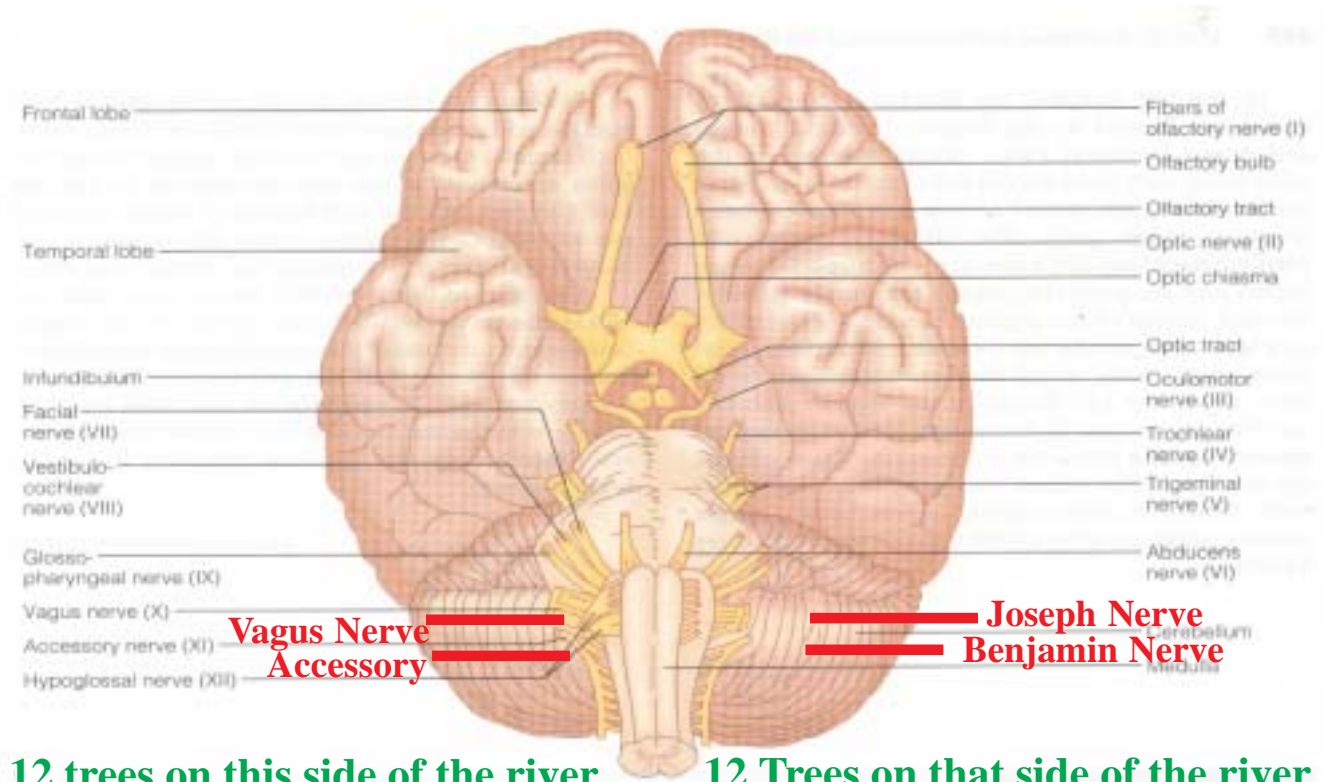
REV 21:9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, **Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.**

10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, **the holy Jerusalem**, descending out of heaven from God,

11 Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

12 And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, **and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:**

## THE TWELVE CRANIAL NERVE TREES



12 trees on this side of the river

12 Trees on that side of the river

Cranial nerves I – VI	Sensory function	Motor function	PS* fibers
I Olfactory	Yes (smell)	No	No
II Optic	Yes (vision)	No	No
III Oculomotor	No	Yes	Yes
IV Trochlear	No	Yes	No
V Trigeminal	Yes (general sensation)	Yes	No
VI Abducens	No	Yes	No

Cranial nerves VII – XII	Sensory function	Motor function	PS* fibers
VII Facial	Yes (taste)	Yes	Yes
VIII Vestibulocochlear	Yes (hearing and balance)	No	No
IX Glossopharyngeal	Yes (taste)	Yes	Yes
X Vagus	Yes (taste)	Yes	Yes
XI Accessory	No	Yes	No
XII Hypoglossal	No	Yes	No

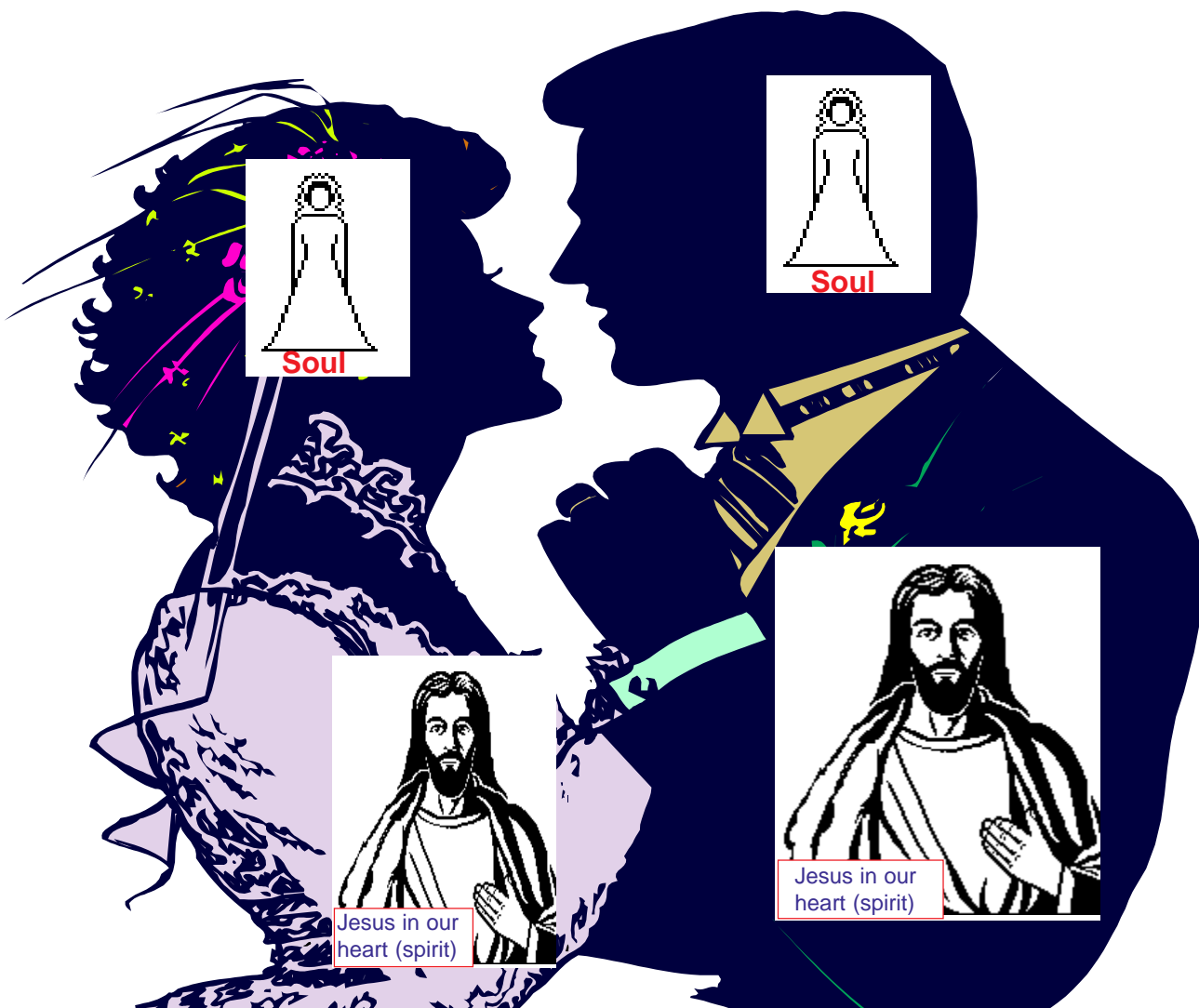
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**12 PAIRED NERVES = 24 ELDERS**

# WHO IS HE AND WHO IS SHE?

JER 17:8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

## *The wedding of the spirit and soul*



We will now come to the question that has eluded the psychologists and psychiatrists - what is the human spirit and where is it located? You will note in the above graphics that the soul seems to be mainly located in the head or cranium. The soul (psuche) is feminine - it is a place where thoughts are conceived. You mean a man (natural male) has a woman (female soul) in his head? Does not the soul of a natural man conceive thoughts? The answer is yes - and this gives an intriguing insight into the ancient statement, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat." But what about this inner man called the spirit, where is he located and what does he do?

2CO 11:2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, **that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.**

3 But I fear, lest by any means, **as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.**

1PE 3:3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

4 But **let it be the hidden man of the heart**, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of **a meek and quiet spirit**, which is in the sight of God of great price.

The above two scriptures give some revealing insights into our soul and spirit. At first glance, II Corinthians 11:2 would not appear to apply to men. However, have you not heard men say that they want to become part of the bride of Christ? And wasn't Adam's mind corrupted in the garden as well as Eve's? So, men, perhaps it would be best to pay attention here, because men, as well as women, must learn to deal with that "woman in the head" called the soul. Even Jesus said, "*Now is my soul troubled*". What is that nasty serpent that appeared in the midst of the garden of choices in Eden and also at Gethsemane?

The scripture in II Peter 3 appears to be directed only at natural women, because it is talking about wearing women's jewelry and beautifying the hair. But, then it becomes clear that within the natural woman (as well as the natural man) is a "hidden man of the heart" which is also a "meek and quiet spirit". We will soon see that there are two lovers courting our soul. One is our spirit and the other suitor is what the scriptures call, "another spirit". In our initial salvation, there is a regeneration of the spirit and the Spirit of Christ indwells our heart. ***For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.*** <sup>EPH 2:8,9</sup> However, we well know that the initial conversion in the spirit is not the end of the story. For the very next verse in Ephesians tells us that: ***For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.*** So, there is a second step in our salvation which is based on the foundation of the salvation common to all Christians called grace, but this second step involves works. ***Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.*** <sup>PHI 2:12</sup> If this second work (the salvation of the soul) is to take place, then the "woman in the head" called the soul must choose her spirit husband (Jesus in the heart) to be her lover and submit herself to Jesus as her husband.

1CO 3:11 **For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.**

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation **gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;**

13 **Every man's work** shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

14 **If any man's work abide** which he hath built thereupon, **he shall receive a reward.**

15 **If any man's work shall be burned,** he shall suffer loss: **but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.**

Now, we will begin to switch from describing the process of salvation to the anatomy of the spirit and soul. Man has long tried to understand this and you will find in Appendix B a discussion of the medical profession's current efforts to determine what consciousness really is. However, we do not want to depart here from the flow of our studies. So, next we will pursue the question of what is the anatomy of the human spirit. Where is **he** (the inner man) located, what does he do, and what do the scriptures say about our spirit? ***For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters ...*** <sup>JER 17:8</sup>

# WHERE IS HE LOCATED?

The following scriptures show the seat of our spirit to be in the mid section of our body. We might say it is located in our gut. Have you used the phrase that "I have a gut feeling that ..."? This means that you are receiving instruction from your spirit. This is where the reins of our being is located which the scriptures call the kidneys. The spirit is often described in terms of a spring, a river, or a well. The soul is described as a garden and this garden is watered by the river of the spirit. Let us trust in the living waters!

JOB 32:18 For I am full of matter, **the spirit within me constraineth me.**  
19 Behold, **my belly is as wine** which hath no vent; it is ready to burst like new bottles.

PRO 20:27 **The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.**

JOH 7:38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, **out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.**

39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

ISA 58:10 And if thou draw out thy **soul** to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted **soul**; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day:

11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy **soul** in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and **like a spring of water**, whose waters fail not.

PSA 7:9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous **God trieth the hearts and reins** [*kidneys*].

PSA 16:7 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: **my reins** [*kidneys*] also instruct me in the night seasons.

PSA 26:2 Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my **reins** [*kidneys*] and my heart.

JOH 4:13 Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; **but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.**

## TRUSTING IN THE FLESH

JER 17:5 Thus saith the LORD; **Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm**, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

6 **For he shall be like the heath in the desert**, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

## TRUSTING IN THE LIVING WATERS



JER 17:7 Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.

8 **For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river**, and shall not see when heat cometh, **but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought**, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

10 **I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins** [Strong's 3629], even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

**Strong's 3629:** *kilyah* - a kidney (as an essential organ); fig. the mind (as the interior self)

**Reins:** (Gr. *renes*, kidneys) 1. (Heb. **KELAYOTH**) In ancient physiology the kidneys are believed to be the seat of desire and are often coupled with the heart.  
2) (Heb. **HALATSAYIM**, loins; Gr. *nephros*) (BRS Dictionary)

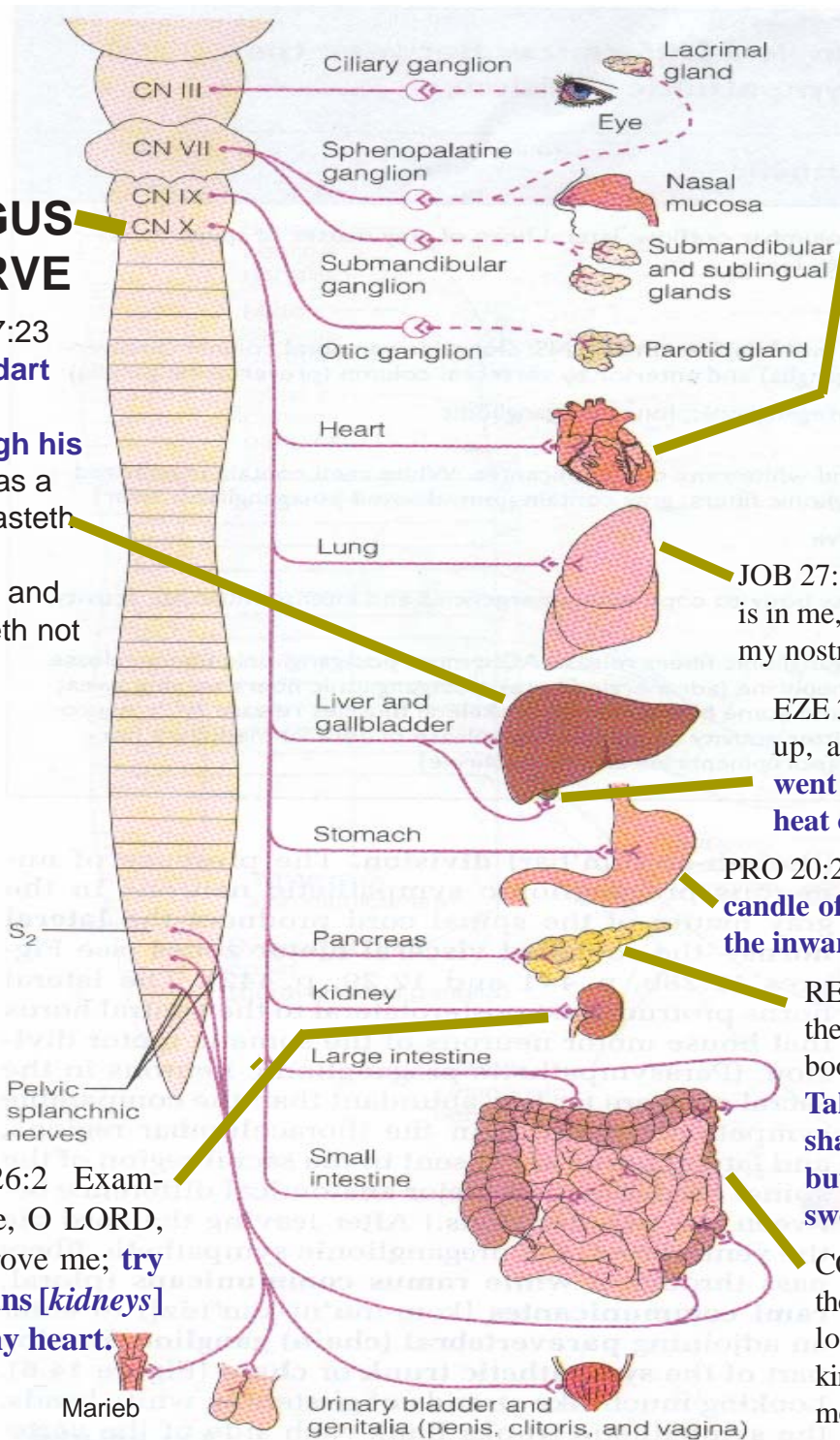
# CN10 - THE VAGUS NERVE; A.K.A. "THE WANDERER"

Below is given a depiction of the tenth cranial nerve which is called the vagus nerve. Find the CN X on the neck nerve bundle system (at the upper left) and trace this nerve downward to the heart, the lungs, the liver and gall bladder, the stomach, the pancreas, the kidneys, and the intestines. Note the scriptures given below for these organs. It is very clear that this nerve regulates the very issues of life itself within our body. If any of the other cranial nerves were severed, you would probably live - but, not so with the vagus nerve - you would die. Why is this called the vagus nerve? It is different from the other eleven cranial nerves in that it goes deep into the body - or symbolically Egypt. Vagus means "wanderer". We would call the vagus nerve the Joseph nervetree because, like Joseph, it is "separate from his brethren".

## VAGUS NERVE

PRO 7:23  
Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not

PSA 26:2 Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins [kidneys] and my heart.



1PE 3:4 But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women [soul] also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands: [spirit]

JOB 27:3 All the while my breath is in me, and the spirit of God is in my nostrils;

EZE 3:14 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, [gall] in the heat of my spirit ...

PRO 20:27 The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.

REV 10:9 And I went unto the angel ... Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey. [insulin]

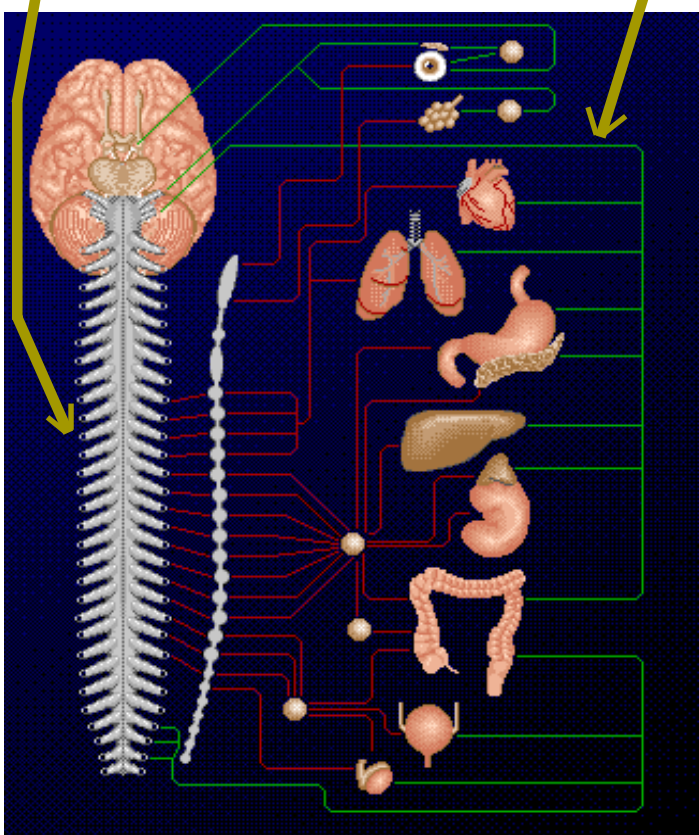
COL 3:12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;



# THE DUAL TREES OF VAGUS AND SPINAL CONTROL

Note in the illustration below that the heart, lungs, stomach, etc. are not only controlled by the vagus nerve, they are also partially controlled by the spinal nerves which exit through the spinal cord. The spinal cord, while within the vertebra, is shown to the right of the backbone for clarity. The vagus nerve tree feeds signals on the status of these vital organs to the brain or soul. However, the spinal nerves also feed information to the soul or brain. And somehow, the adamic brain performs a balancing act between these two sources of information.

**PHARAOH** **JOSEPH**



**THE CRANIAL NERVES MAINLY SERVE THE HEAD AND DOWN TO THE LOWER NECK. AN EXCEPTION TO THIS IS THE VAGUS NERVE WHICH DESCENDS DEEP INTO THE PIT OF THE BODY AND CONTROLS THE VITAL ORGANS.**

**1TH 5:23** And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole **spirit** and **soul** and **body** be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## THE AUTONOMIC NERVOUS SYSTEM

**The autonomic nervous system** is responsible for the self-controlling aspects of the body's nervous network, and is under the control of the cerebral cortex, the hypothalamus, and the medulla oblongata. Working in tandem with the central nervous system, the autonomic nervous system features two subsystems which regulate body functions such as involuntary smooth muscle movement and heart rate. These two subsystems are called the **sympathetic** and **parasympathetic nervous system**, and their functions operate in opposition to one another, delicately balancing the bodily functions which they control. **The sympathetic nervous causes fight or flight responses in moments of stress or stimulus, such as increased heart rate, saliva flow, and perspiration. The parasympathetic system counterbalances these effects by slowing the heart rate, dilating blood vessels, and relaxing involuntary smooth muscle fibers.**

The parasympathetic nervous system, also referred to as the craniosacral system, features ganglia in the midbrain, in the medulla oblongata, and in the sacral region. The first two, the cranial ganglia of the parasympathetic system, give pass impulses to the facial, oculomotor, glossopharyngeal, **and vagus nerves**. The sacral group of parasympathetic nerves originate at the second, third, and fourth vertebrae and extend nerves to the bladder, the distal colon, the rectum, and the genitals. The nerves of the parasympathetic nervous system are responsible for conserving and restoring energy in the body following a sympathetic response to stress.

Illustration and above text from BodyWorks

# THE JOSEPH VAGUS NERVE - THAT WANDERED DOWN INTO THE BODY (EGYPT) AND WAS SEPARATE FROM HIS BRETHREN

GEN 37:12 And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem.

13 **And Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed the flock in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them.** And he said to him, Here am I.

14 And he said to him, Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with thy brethren ...

15 And a certain man found him, and, behold, **he was wandering** [*Vagus means wanderer*] in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou?

GEN 49:26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: **they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.**

We are looking at two main nerve tree links of communication between the brain and the body. One is the spinal cord with its thirty one peripheral nerves. The other is the vagus nerve which connects to the very issues of life within the pit of our being. We have said that the vagus nerve wanders away over the cranial wall from his eleven brethren central nervous system nerves and wanders down deep into the body midsection. We have looked at the scriptures about the internal organs and they seem to describe the inner man within our body - or our spirit. We have said that the spirit is also likened to water and the soul is likened to a garden. Hence, water would flow out of our spirit and water the garden. Even the garden in Eden had a river in it. Therefore, the vagus nerve is like a tree trunk of coaxial nerve cables that connects between the head and the belly and causes the water of our spirit to flow up through the trunk and water the garden of our soul.

GEN 49:22 **Joseph is a fruitful bough,**  
even **a fruitful bough by a well; whose branches run over the wall:**

23 The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot at him, and hated him:

24 But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob; (from thence is the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)

25 Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, **blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:**

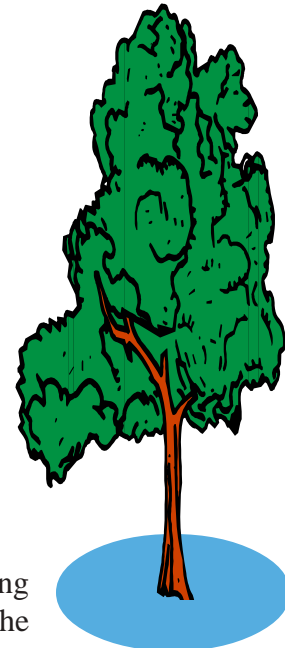
In the book of John, we find the unusual story of the woman at the well on the parcel of ground given to Joseph by Jacob. It was here that Yeshua introduced the concept of the living water that one could drink and never thirst again. Little did we realize while reading this that this woman at the well is symbolic of our very own soul. She has been taught by her five husbands (Apostles, Prophets, Pastors, Evangelists, and Teachers), but she is longing for something much deeper and more satisfying - to be married to her spirit husband which is indwelt by the Spirit of Christ.

JOH 4:5 Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that **Jacob gave to his son Joseph.**

6 **Now** Jacob's well was there. ...

10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, **and he would have given thee living water.**

**HEAD  
SOUL**



**SPIRIT  
(BELLY)  
WATER**

# THE JOSEPH VAGUS NERVE CONNECTING SOUL AND SPIRIT



JER 17:8 For **he** shall be as **a tree planted by the waters**, and that spreadeth out **her** roots by **the river**, and shall not see when heat cometh, but **her** leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

In terms of our anatomy, the living water rises to the right side of the cranium and enters the right brain which primarily interprets the matters of the spirit. It is here at the top of the spinal cord where our altar is located. For here, we present our bodies as a living sacrifice that our minds may be transformed. When we subjugate the wants and desires of the body to the flow of the spirit, then we fulfill the prophecy given many years ago by Ezekiel - the flow of the spirit waters the garden of our soul.

EZE 47:1 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, **behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.**

EZE 47:7 Now when I had returned, behold, **at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other.**

8 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed.

9 **And it shall come to pass, that every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live:** and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; **and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.**

# EVE: TORN BETWEEN TWO LOVERS



**ANOTHER  
SPIRIT**

## THE SOUL



**THE SPIRIT  
HUSBAND**

2CO 11:1 Would to God ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me.

2 **For I am jealous over you** with godly jealousy: **for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.**

3 But I fear, lest by any means, **as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.**

4 **For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received,** or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

Both men and women have souls (minds) that have been corrupted by the tempter. To reverse the fall, one must reverse the choices made in the garden.

# WHERE IS THE GARDEN AND WHAT ARE THE TREES IN THE GARDEN?

GEN 1:27 So God [*Elohim*] created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

29 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, **and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.**

The creation in Genesis Chapter 1 was **not** created from the dust of the earth and every tree in this creation was given for meat. We think that this creation was a celestial spirit man in the image of God. *God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.* <sup>JOH 4:24</sup> The soul had not been added at this point. Then we had the formation of Adam from dust in Genesis chapter 2 and then the planting of a garden. Then, a strange tree showed up right in the midst of the garden. We would ask you to look very carefully at the order of formation [*not creation*] of the dust man, the garden, and the tree of good and evil in the verses below.

GEN 2:7 And the LORD God [*Yahweh Elohim*] **formed man of the dust of the ground**, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; **and man became a living soul.**

8 **And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden**; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; **the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.**

10 **And a river went out of Eden to water the garden**; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.

The garden is the location of the soul and a soul is able to make choices. However, if you insist on hanging on to the concept of the garden as a geographical plot of terra firma earth, consider the following verses.

ISA 58:10 And if thou draw out thy **soul** to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day:

11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy **soul** in drought, and make fat thy bones: and **thou shalt be like a watered garden**, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

12 And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: **thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach**, The restorer of paths to dwell in.

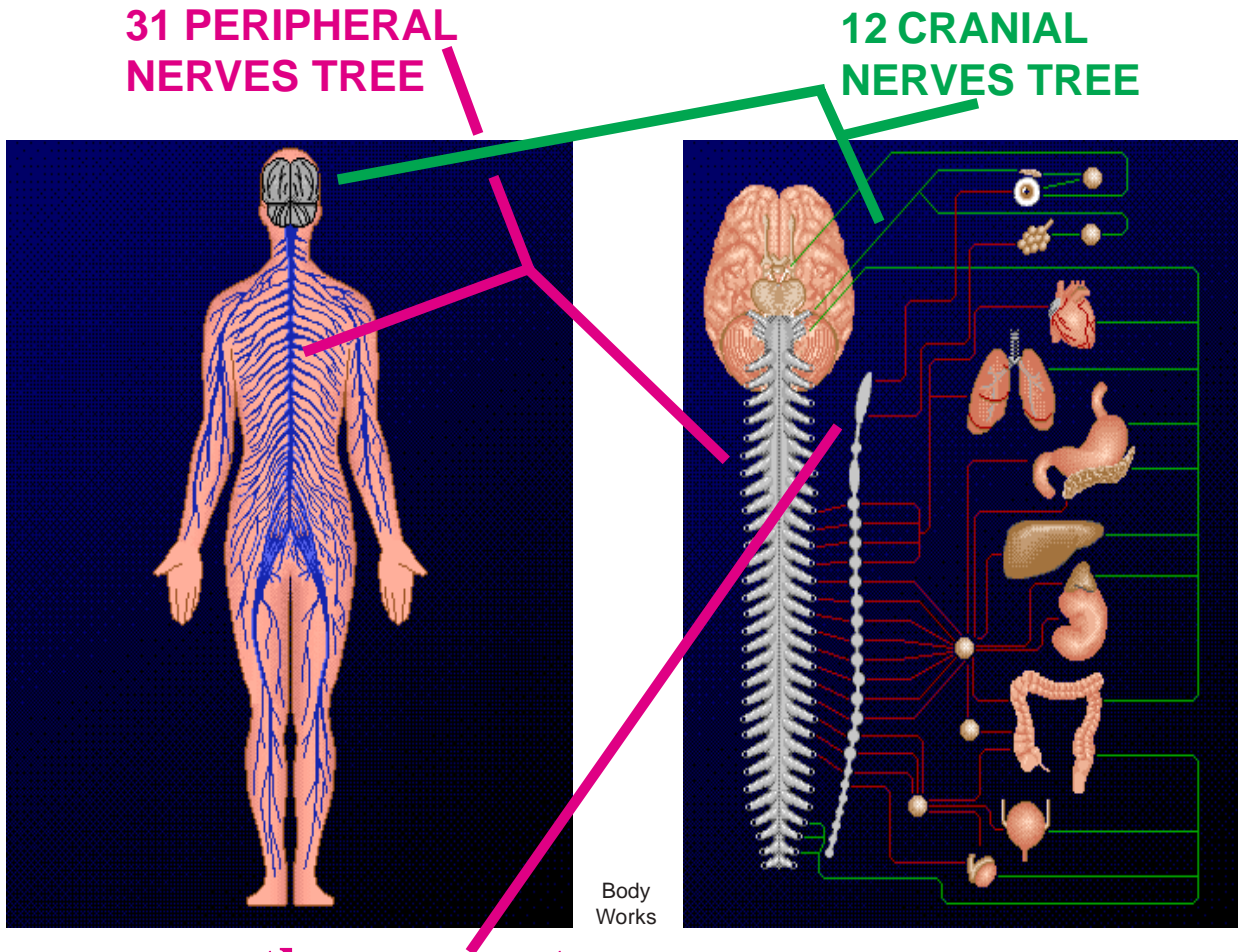
JER 17:8 **For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters**, and that **spreadeth out her roots** by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, **but her leaf shall be green**; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

**Now that you know where the garden is and that it is symbolic of the soul, are you ready for an additional revelation concerning this tree of good and evil in the very midst of the garden? It is said that a picture is worth ten thousand words. Please turn the page and look at the representation of the serpent in the midst of the garden.**

# EVE'S CHOICE IN THE GARDEN OF THE SOUL

## THE TREE OF GOOD AND EVIL VS: THE TREE OF LIFE

ISA 58:11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and **satisfy thy soul in drought**, and make fat thy bones: and **thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.**



GEN 3:1 Now **the serpent** was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

2 **And the woman** [*soul*] said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

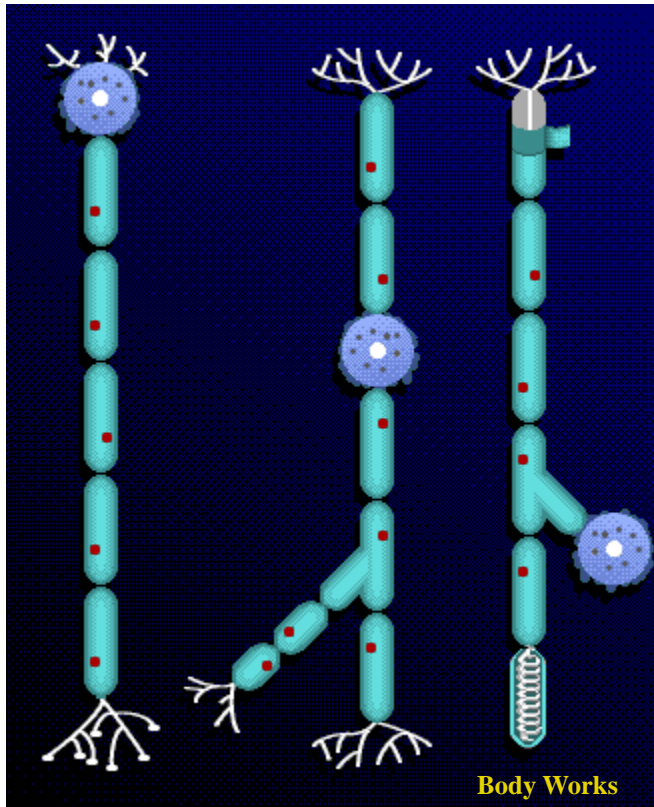
3 **But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.**

JOS 12:7 **And these are the kings of the country** which Joshua and the children of Israel smote ... which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel for a possession according to their divisions;

24 The king of Tirzah, one: **all the kings thirty and one.**

In the graphics on the preceding page, the two sets of nervous systems are depicted, the spinal and the vagus nerve system. Note carefully that the bones of the spinal column are shown. However, the spinal cord itself - which is inside the vertebra - is shown outside of the vertebra for clarity. Is it surprising that the spinal column looks almost exactly like a serpent? And if we consider the soul which is seated in the cranium as the garden, then we can see that this tree of good and evil is located in the very midst of the garden and bears the fruit that is in the midst of the garden. But, isn't this getting a little far fetched? Here you are calling nerves trees and also you are saying that the reptile serpent is showing up in the very midst of the garden. Lets stick to good old medical science and forget all this symbolic nonsense. Just because the root *dendr-* means resembling a tree does not mean a nerve is a tree.

## WHAT IS THE MEANING OF A TREE, WALKING?



Neurons are the basic cells of the nervous system. These nerve cells are responsible for receiving and transmitting nerve impulses and forming long fibers by linking together. **They consist of a cell body, which contains a nucleus, with one or more axons and dendrites extending from the body. The dendrites are the multi-branched portions which receive impulses, while the axons are the elongated structures which carry the impulse away from the body of the cell.** Clustered neurons are grey, though some nerve cells are covered with a white myelin sheath. This accounts for the grey and white matter in the brain and spinal cord. ... Billions of neurons are located in the body's nervous system and they are so efficient that a nerve impulse (of pain, for example) can be transmitted from the hand to the brain and back again to allow a reflex movement in a fraction of a second.

The clash between the spirit and the flesh is not really anything new; Christian writers have written about it for years. Even Paul identified this as a conflict between the wants of the members of our body and the thoughts of our mind. And how are messages transmitted from the body members to the mind? Is it not through the nervous system and the spinal cord primarily serves the body.

ROM 7:23 **But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.**

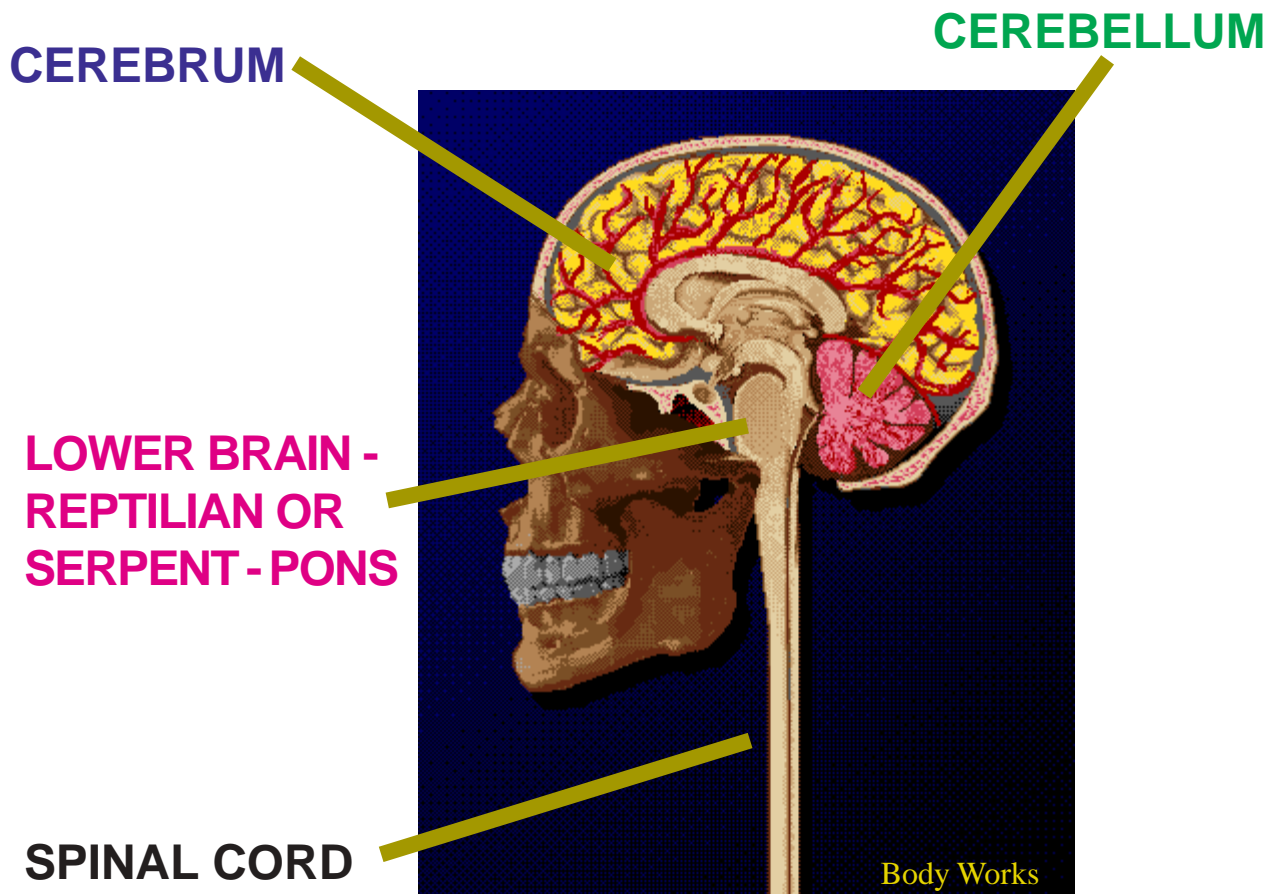
24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. **So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.**

8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, **who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.**

OK, so we can see a parallel between nerves and trees and Paul probably was talking about a war between the wants of the members of body and law of the mind. But, it should really be interesting to see how you would use science to show that there is a reptile serpent in the mind.

The human brain has three major divisions. The large dome shaped cerebrum (the upper brain) is responsible for intelligence and reasoning and is unique to man. The smaller, somewhat spherical cerebellum (midbrain) helps to maintain balance and controls body movement. The cerebrum is present in animals. The medulla or pons is the lower brain and is responsible for maintaining respiration and is a gateway for electrical impulses to and from the body via the 31 spinal cord nerves. This lower brain is sometimes called the reptilian brain, because it is the only brain configuration present in reptiles.



So, strangely enough, science has recognized the reptile serpent that imposes itself right in the midst of the mind. For what science sees in the lower brain is that brain system which is seen in reptiles. Those of mankind who dwell primarily in the thoughts of the flesh and lower brain are very cold hearted and unloving. So, if our land or earth is being controlled by either the reptilian and animal realms of the brain, we have a war on our hands to reclaim it. And like the Hebrews who returned to the promised land, there are many tenants that have taken up residence in the human mind and must be subdued. You may have note the scripture given previously that Joshua, when entering the promised land, had thirty-one kings that had to be subdued. And if we are to reclaim our body, the thirty one kings of the spinal nervous system must be subdued and brought into submission to the law of the mind. What are these thirty-one kings that must be subdued?



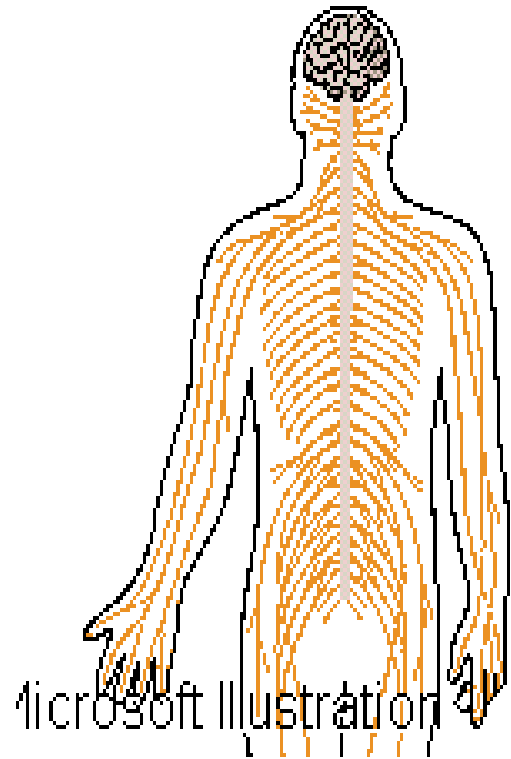
## SPINAL CORD NERVES 31 PAIRS OF NERVES THAT SERVE THE BODY

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"The cranial nerves connect to the brain by passing through openings in the skull, or cranium. Nerves associated with the spinal cord pass through openings in the vertebral column and are called spinal nerves. Both cranial and spinal nerves consist of large numbers of processes that convey impulses to the central nervous system and also carry messages outward; the former processes are called afferent, the latter are called efferent

The cranial and spinal nerves are paired; the number in humans are 12 and 31, respectively."



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JOS 12:7 **And these are the kings of the country which Joshua and the children of Israel smote on this side Jordan on the west**, from Baalgad in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir; which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel for a possession according to their divisions;

9 The king of Jericho, one; the king of Ai, which is beside Bethel, one;

10 The king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one;

11 The king of Jarmuth, one; the king of Lachish, one;

12 The king of Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one;

13 The king of Debir, one; the king of Geder, one;

14 The king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad, one;

15 The king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one;

16 The king of Makkedah, one; the king of Bethel, one;

17 The king of Tappuah, one; the king of Hopher, one;

18 The king of Aphek, one; the king of Lasharon, one;

19 The king of Madon, one; the king of Hazor, one;

20 The king of Shimronmeron, one; the king of Achshaph, one;

21 The king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one;

22 The king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam of Carmel, one;

23 The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of Gilgal, one;

24 The king of Tirzah, one: **all the kings thirty and one.**

# THE FRUIT OF THE TREE OF GOOD AND EVIL

## THIRTY ONE PERIPHERAL (SPINAL) KINGS OF THE FLESH

#	SCRIPTURE	STRONG'S #	FLESH DESIRE
1	EPH 4:18	52	IGNORANCE
2	GAL 5:20	139	HERESIES ( <i>disunion</i> )
3	COL 3:8	140	FILTHY COMMUNICATION
4	COL 3:5	167	UNCLEANNES
"	EPH 4:19	167	UNCLEANNES
"	GAL 5	167	UNCLEANNES
5	COL 3:6	543	DISOBEDIENCE
6	EPH 4:19	766	LASCIVIOUSNESS ( <i>filthy wantonness</i> )
"	GAL 5:19	766	LASCIVIOUSNESS
7	COL 3:8	988	BLASPHEMY
"	EPH 4:31	988	EVIL SPEAKING
8	GAL 5:20	1370	SEDITIONS ( <i>resistance against authority</i> )
9	GAL 5:20	1495	CONCUPISCENCE ( <i>immoral sexual desire</i> )
10	COL 3:5	1939	IDOLATRY
11	GAL 5:20	2052	CONCUPISCENCE ( <i>immoral sexual desire</i> )
12	GAL 5:20	2054	CONCUPISCENCE ( <i>immoral sexual desire</i> )
13	GAL 5:20	2189	STRIFE
14	GAL 5:20	2205	VARIANCE ( <i>wrangling and quarreling</i> )
15	COL 3:8	2372	HATRED
"	EPH 4:31	2372	HATRED
"	GAL 5:20	2372	EMULATIONS ( <i>jealous zeal or envy</i> )
16	COL 3:8	2549	WRATH
"	EPH 4:31	2549	WRATH
17	EPH 4:28	2813	WRATH
18	EPH 4:31	2906	WRATH
19	GAL 5:21	2970	MALICE
20	EPH 4:17	3153	MALICE
21	GAL 5:21	3178	STEAL
22	GAL 5:19	3430	CLAMOUR ( <i>noisily complaining</i> )
23	COL 3:8	3709	REVELLINGS ( <i>riotous carousing</i> )
"	EPH 4:31	3709	VANITY
"	EPH 4:26	3710	DRUNKENNESS
24	COL 3:5	3806	ADULTERY
25	EPH 4:31	4088	ANGER
26	COL 3:5	4124	ANGER
"	EPH 4:19	4124	ANGRY
27	COL 3:5	4202	INORDINATE AFFECTION ( <i>ob-session</i> )
"	GAL 5:19	4202	INORDINATE AFFECTION ( <i>ob-session</i> )
28	EPH 4:18	4457	BITTERNESS
29	EPH 4:29	4550	COVETOUSNESS
30	GAL 5:20	5331	GREEDINESS
31	COL 3:9	5574	FORNICATION



## ANOTHER SPIRIT

GEN 3:6 **And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes**, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

7 **And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked**; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

8 **And they heard the voice of the LORD God** walking in the garden in the cool of

REV 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. **Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.**

ROM 13:12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, **and let us put on the armour of light.**

## THE BRIDE THAT WAS LOST

REV 21:21 And **the twelve gates** were twelve pearls: every several gate was of one pearl: **and the street of the city was pure gold**, as it were transparent glass.

22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

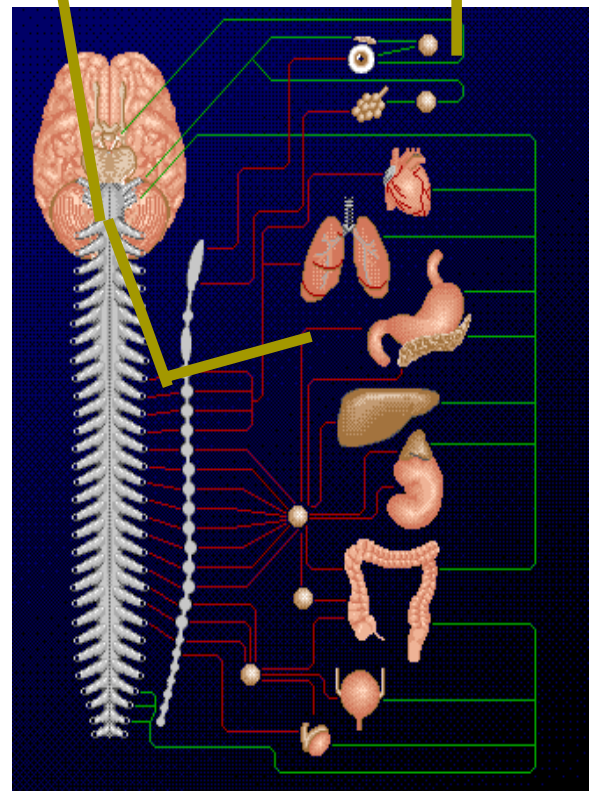
23 **And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.**

# EVE (THE SOUL) CHOOSES THE TREE OF GOOD AND EVIL



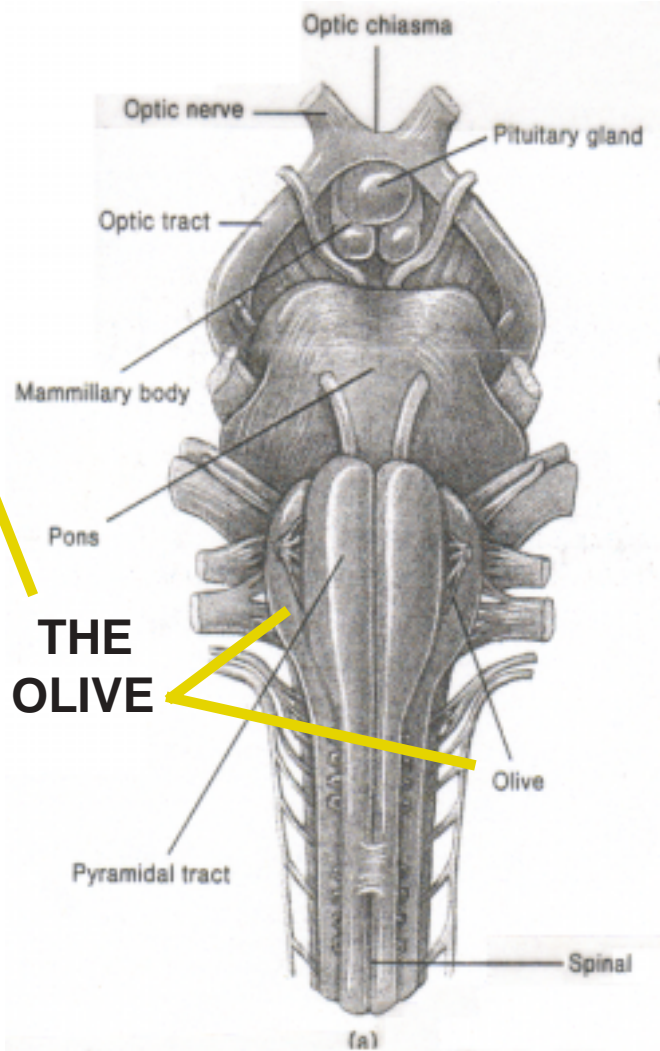
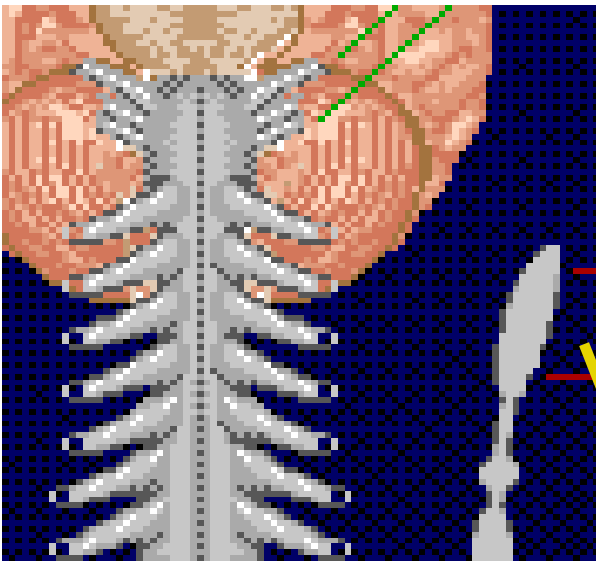
THE EYES (GATES) OF THE SPIRIT (CRANIAL NERVES) BEGIN TO DIMINISH

THE EYES OF THE FLESH (SPINAL NERVES) BEGIN TO OPEN



# THE ENMITY BETWEEN THE SOUL AND THE SERPENT

GEN 3:15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.



We have identified the top of the spinal cord as the head of the serpent that enters the midst of the garden called the soul. Strangely, enough the anatomy books call this area the "olive". Two accounts of the "olive" are as follows: "On each lateral surface of the medulla is an oval projection called the **olive** (Figure 14-4), which contains an inferior olivary nucleus and two accessory olivary nuclei." A second anatomy book states, "On each side of the medulla oblongata is an oval swelling called the olive, from which a large bundle of nerve fibers arises and passes to the cerebellum."

**THE OLIVE**

Figure 11.19 (a) Ventral view of the brain stem;

Human Anatomy Physiology, 6th edition, John W. Hole Jr. Wm. C. Brown Publishers, Dubuque, IA, page 384

It was in an olive garden named Gethsemane where the soul of Jesus crushed the olive of the head of the serpent. Gethsemane means "oil press." And when the feet of the Spirit of Christ suddenly return to our own temple, will not He set His feet on the mount of olives within our very own anatomy and that mount will split open? *And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.* ZEC 14:4

MAT 26:36 Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane [oil press] and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.

37 And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.

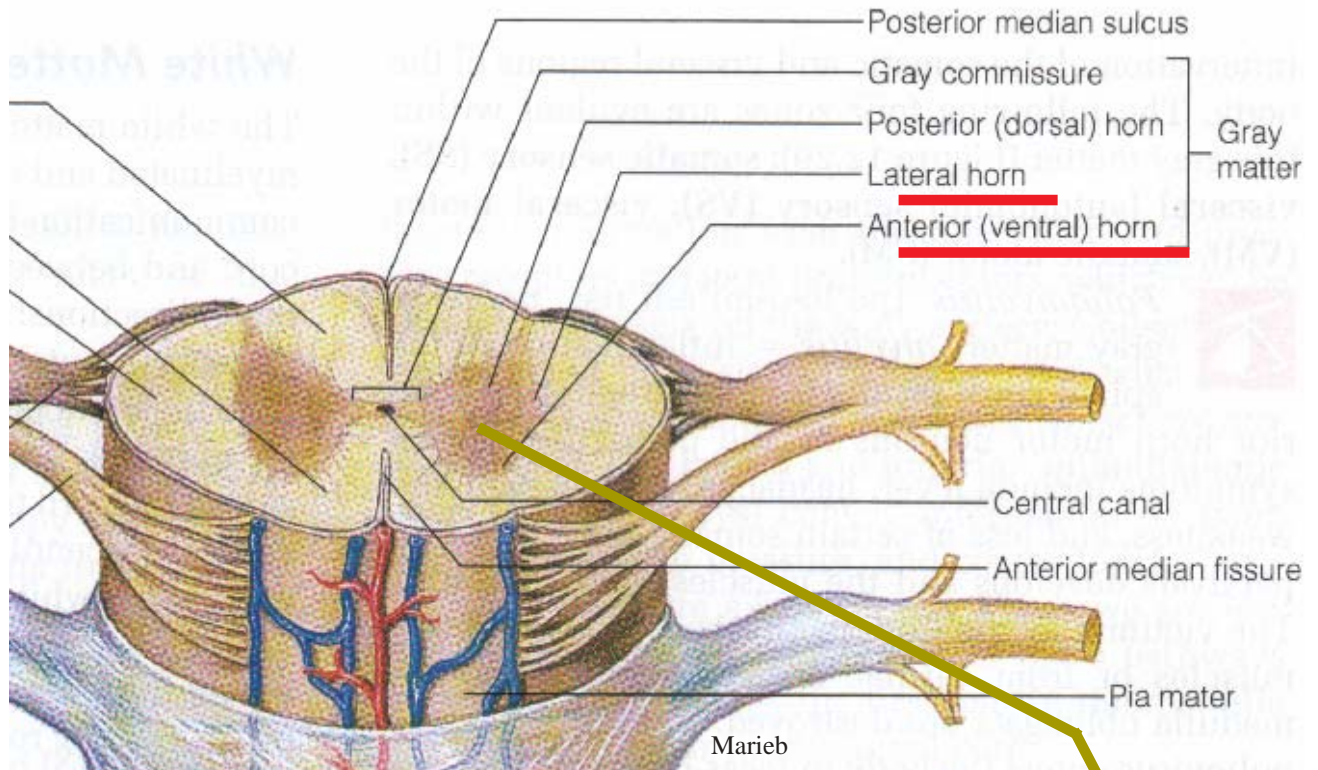
38 Then saith he unto them, **My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death:** tarry ye here, and watch with me.

39 And he went a little farther, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: **nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.**

ROM 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present **your bodies a living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

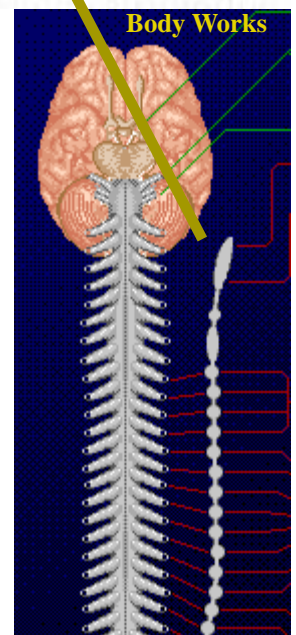
2 And be not conformed to this world: **but be ye transformed** [*metamorphoo-ed*] by **the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

## ON THE HORNS OF A DILEMMA WHERE IS THE SACRIFICE ALTAR?



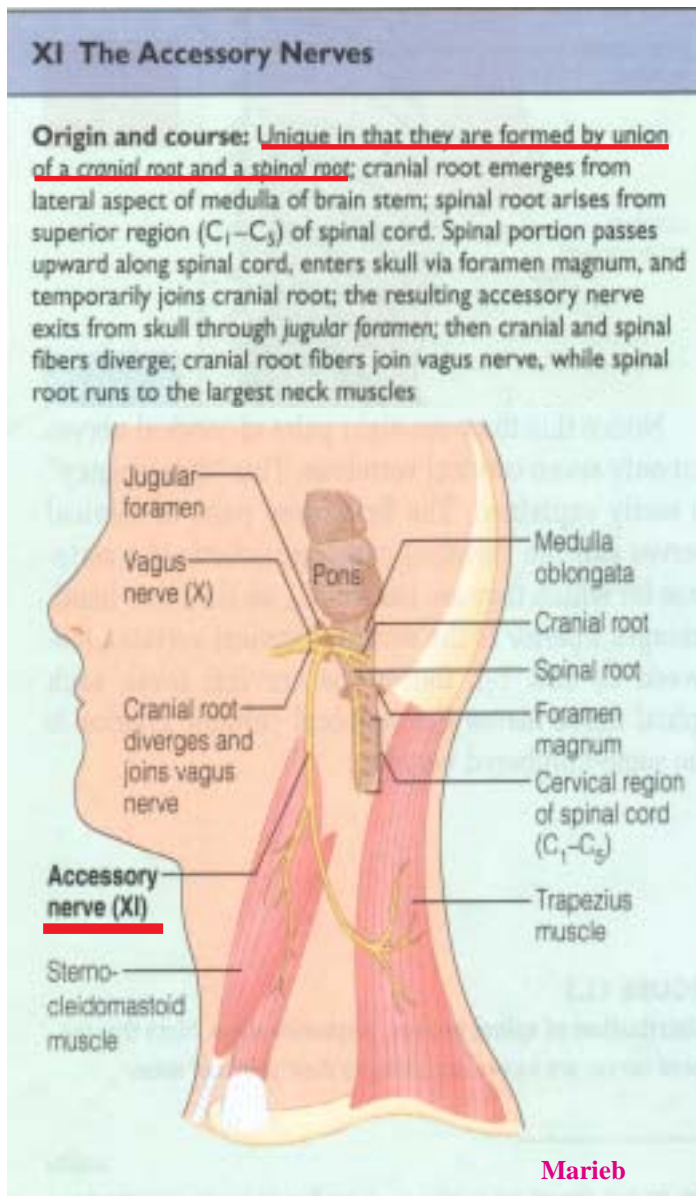
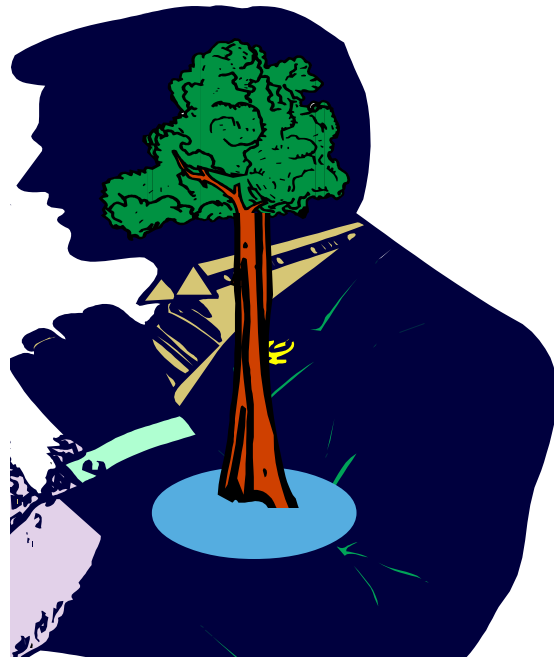
The above is a cross-section of the spinal cord near the entry into the brain. You will notice that there are horns shown in the cross section. This cross section looks like a butterfly and has two points on each side. We know that the biblical altar has horns. Truly, the top of the spinal cord is the **cross** roads between the body and the mind - where the old man can be nailed to the cross. It is here on this altar that we lay the wants, desires and demands of the old man on the altar and become a new creature in Christ. If we are willing to lay down our body as a living sacrifice then our mind can be transformed. Instead of listening to the old man, our soul is then watered by the inner man in that stream that flows up at the right side of the altar. Truly, our spirit and soul are joined in marriage and our soul becomes the bride of Christ.

EZE 47:1 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, **and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.**



GEN 49:26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: **they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.**

We have discussed the twelve cranial nerves and how Joseph was separate from his brethren in that the vagus nerve descends deep into the body. What about Joseph's little brother Benjamin. How does he fit into this picture? The accessory nerve is somewhat unique in that it is formed by a cranial nerve and a spinal root. It joins the vagus nerve in descending into the neck muscles and the muscles at the top of the shoulder. It is called the "shrug" nerve because one of the tests of the wholeness of this nerve is to ask one to shrug their shoulders.



DEU 33:12 And of Benjamin he said, The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; and the Lord shall cover him all the day long, **and he shall dwell between his shoulders**

Isn't it interesting that Benjamin is identified with the shoulders? Benjamin is quite unique in that he seems to be ambidextrous between the right (spirit) and the left (word).

GEN 35:18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called **his name Benoni [son of my sorrow]:** but his father **called him Benjamin [son of the right hand].**

Paul was a Benjaminite and as a Pharisee he could stone one with the law with his left hand, but after his Damascus Road experience, he became skilled in the Spirit. A completed Benjamin is ambidextrous in word and spirit.

JDG 20:15 And the children of Benjamin were numbered at that time out of the cities ...

16 Among all this people there were seven hundred chosen men lefthanded; every one could sling stones at an hair breadth, and not miss.

REV 21:10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, **the holy Jerusalem**, descending out of heaven from God,

11 Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

12 And had a wall great and high, **and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:**

We have connected the characteristics of Joseph to the vagus nerve and the characteristics of Benjamin to the accessory nerve. This leaves ten other tribal names to be connected with various cranial nerves. Certainly, it would seem that Simeon, the name means "hearing", would be connected with the auditory nerve. We have not pursued the connection of cranial nerves to the rest of the tribes, but we trust as we wait on the revelation that this information will come in due time to us or others. It is quite mind-boggling to think how the very children of Jacob were preplanned concerning their names and characteristics. *Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:* <sup>ISA 46:9, 10</sup> Even the circumstances and characteristics of Sarah were preplanned. Yes, there is a dimension of the middle realm of our soul called Hagar and it can function with the thought seeds from the uncircumcised heart of Abram spirit. But only after Abram was circumcised and became Abraham, was the Sarah dimension of the soul womb opened. Again, there is no doubt that the circumstances and characteristics of Abraham, Sarah, and Hagar were known from the beginning and they simply walked out the role as given in the Volume of their Book.

GAL 4:23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise.

24 **Which things are an allegory:** for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.

25 **For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is,** and is in bondage with her children.

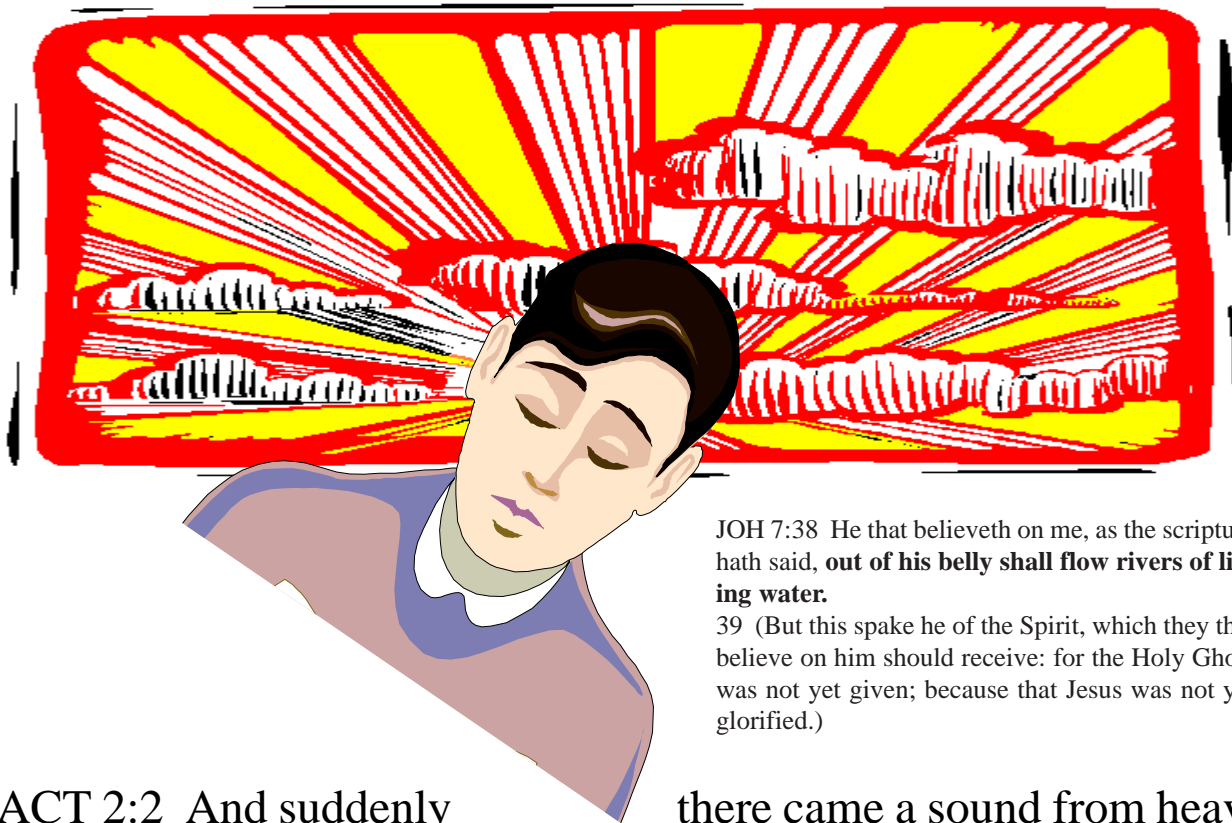
26 **But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.**

27 For it is written, Rejoice, **thou barren that bearest not; break forth** and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.

Now let us come to the more practical part of this teaching. Yes, it helps to understand the physical array of the battle that we fight is first within ourselves. Even the battle of Armageddon is first an internal battle before it is an external battle. So, the first step is our basic salvation, which brings about a regeneration of the human spirit within us (which lighted us when we came into the world.) Part of that regeneration is to cut away the flesh around the heart spirit. *But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, **by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;*** <sup>TIT 3:4-6</sup> And then following that is the ministry of the Holy Spirit. The baptism in the Holy Spirit is a rather drastic rewiring and reconnecting of the nerves and cranial circuits within the being. On the day of Pentecost, the disturbance to the internal circuits was so drastic that some could not even walk. For water was beginning to flow from the belly (spirit) to the mind in a way that it had not done before. Even the language circuits were rewired so that the spirit could speak without being encumbered by the unfruitful part of the brain.

# THE DAY OF PENTECOST COMPLETELY DISCOMBULATED THE CIRCUITS OF THE FLESH MIND



JOH 7:38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, **out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.**

39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

ACT 2:2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them **cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.**

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

ACT 2:14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:

15 **For these are not drunken, as ye suppose,** seeing it is but the third hour of the day.

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;



# CAN THE SPIRIT BYPASS THE MIND?



1CO 14:14 For if I pray in an unknown tongue, **my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.**

15 What is it then? **I will pray with the spirit,** and **I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit,** and **I will sing with the understanding** also.

16 Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?

17 For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.

1TH 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole **spirit** and **soul** and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

EPH 6:18 **Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit,** and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

ROM 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: **but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.**

MAR 14:38 Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. **The spirit truly is ready,** but the flesh is weak.

2CO 11:2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, **that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.**

3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, **or if ye receive another spirit**, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

Now that we have identified the two voices speaking to and wooing our soul, what are some practical things that we can do to insure that we are listening to the Christ husband in our spirit and not to "another spirit" that has slipped into the garden of our mind?

MAT 13:22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; **and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.**

23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty..

First one should realize that the river of consciousness that we normally operate in this world is not the state of consciousness most conducive to hearing from our spirit. We are too caught up in the everyday cares and concerns to seek the Lord, therefore the thorns and weeds of this world choke out the still, small voice of our spirit that would give us true answers to set our course.

PSA 46:10 **Be still, and know that I am God:** I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

MAT 6:6 But thou, when thou prayest, **enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door**, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly..

When we still our mind from the everyday cares of this world, we can enter into our closet to pray. We are shutting out the Babylonian (Euphrates River) beta noise and static and tuning to the proper frequency of a river of consciousness so that our soul can hear the voice of our spirit husband speaking. Even Jesus, who after His River Jordan dove descending upon Him experience, walked under an open heaven, found it necessary to get alone to receive instructions from His Father.

MAR 6:30 And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught.

31 And he said unto them, **Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.**

32 And they departed into a desert place by ship privately.

JOH 5:19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do:** for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.

Further, it is known that during our sleep, particularly during the early hours of the morning, we are more receptive to hearing from our spirit. Most of the concepts we have given in this writing did not come from the waking hours, but came from a "knowing" of what to do or what to write just before arising in the morning. That knowing was not there in the evening but was there the next morning.

PSA 16:7 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: **my reins [kidneys] also instruct me in the night seasons.**

ACT 2:17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, **and your old men shall dream dreams:**

It seems that when we reach a restful state, we can receive more readily from our spirit. *When I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches.*<sup>PSA 63:6</sup> Fasting is another method of denying the flesh and strengthening the voice of the spirit. However, when you first start a fast, do not be surprised if at first the wants, desires, and needs of the spinal cord related flesh become more vocal rather than less vocal. "I am hungry. Why are you torturing me? You really don't want to fast!" But, in any case, fasting helps you to identify the voice of the flesh and the voice of the spirit.

GEN 2:10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, **and became into four heads.**

11 The name of the first is **Pison**: that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;

12 And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.

13 And the name of the second river is **Gihon**: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.

14 And the name of the third river is **Hiddekel**: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is **Euphrates**.

It is well known that there are four levels of the river of consciousness of the brain. One anatomy book describes it as follows:

Brain waves are classified as alpha, beta, theta, and delta waves. *Alpha waves* are recorded most easily from the posterior regions of the head and have a frequency of 8-13 cycles per second. They occur when a person is awake but resting, with the eyes closed. These waves disappear during sleep, and if the wakeful person's eyes are opened, the alpha waves are replaced by higher frequency beta waves.

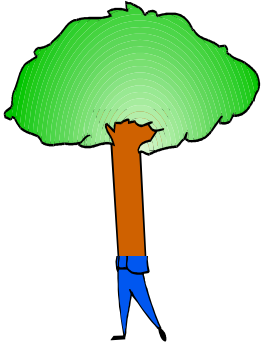
*Beta waves* have a frequency of more than 13 cycles per second and are usually recorded in the anterior region of the head. They occur when a person is actively engaged in mental activity or is under tension.

*Theta waves* have a frequency of 4-7 cycles per second and occur mainly in the parietal and temporal regions of the cerebrum. They are produced normally in children. Theta waves do not normally occur in adults, although some adults produce them in early stages of sleep or at times of emotional stress.

*Delta waves* have a frequency below four cycles per second and occur during sleep. They seem to come from the cerebral cortex when it is not being activated by the reticular formation (figure 11:23). <sup>From Human Anatomy Physiology, sixth edition, p. 388; by John W. Hole, Jr.; Wm C. Brown, Publishers, Dubuque, Iowa.</sup>

It is interesting that the theta waves are produced in small children and yet they tend to disappear as the child matures. We have known children who have a recollection of their spirit being with God, before they were dispatched to descend into the realm that we call earth. As they mature, these experiences tend to become more and more veiled. However, this gives new meaning to the scripture: *But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.*<sup>MAR 10:14</sup> We have known adults who have tried to become more spiritual by learning how to control the frequency of their brain waves. For, example some have purchased a fairly inexpensive monitoring device (monitors electrochemical activity) that straps on to the fingers - from Radio Shack or equivalent - and have learned to shift gears between the various brain wave states much as one would shift gears on a car. Does this make them more spiritual? Our answer to that would be yes and no. It does teach them to tune in to the spiritual frequencies. The problem is that many of these people have no spiritual foundation concerning the protection afforded by the blood and name of Jesus. They are just as apt to pick up what II Corinthians 11:4 calls "*another spirit*" as they are to establish a connection with their own spirit. It is as if they put their feminine soul out on the street corner and let it flirt with every "spirit guide" that comes along. We have seen some of these people come to great grief by following the advice of their "spirit guides". On the other hand Paul tells us that *I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.*<sup>2 Co 11:2</sup> Therefore, we would recommend the basic steps of spiritual progression as laid out in the scriptures. If the foundation is not firm, the building will topple at some point. We pray that each one of you will prepare your soul as a chaste bride for her true husband.

# I SEE MEN AS TREES, WALKING



## IT IS TIME TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES!

There were three major feasts given to Israel. We well know about the Passover feast in that Israel celebrated in the natural in coming out of Egypt and we have celebrated it spiritually in accepting the blood of the Lamb. Israel celebrated Pentecost naturally when the seventy elders went up on the mountain in the third month and the church celebrated it spiritually on the day of Pentecost. The third feast given to Israel is celebrated in the fall and is generally called Tabernacles. It actually consists of three specific events, the feast of Trumpets, the day of Atonement, and the feast of booths or succoth. In the natural, Israel celebrates booths by building small booths upon the rooftops of their houses and dwelling in them for seven days. Christianity, on the other hand, has not yet seen a spiritual fulfillment of the feast of booths. Spiritually, it is discerned as a time when the Father, along with the Son, and Holy Spirit fully dwells within our body. When that happens, this mortal body will be changed into immortality. Therefore, are we to look for a fulfillment of Tabernacles by the act of cutting down natural trees and building a booth? Or, are we to take what we have learned about cranial trees and build a booth on the rooftop of our mind (where the New Jerusalem descends)? Are we willing to lay our bodies (as manifested in spinal cord wants, desires and demands) down on the altar as a living sacrifice so that our minds might be transformed? *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice ... And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind ...* ROM 12:1

LEV 23:39 **Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD** seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath.

40 **And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook;** and ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days.

1CO 3:16 **Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?**

## GATHER THE BRANCHES OF THE 12 NERVE TREES AND DWELL IN THE BOOTH OF YOUR TEMPLE

MAR 8:24 And he looked up, and said, **I see men as trees, walking.**

25 After that he put his hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and **he was restored, and saw every man clearly.**

26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, **Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town..**

## MEN AS TREES, WALKING

Jesus prayed twice for the blind man. First, the blind man saw men as trees walking. And then, after the second prayer, he saw every man clearly. His sight was restored. Are there any among us that would be so bold as to say the word, **Restore!** Is that privilege given to this generation or will we pass it by due to our blindness and deafness and go by the way of the grave? Dare we believe the following scriptures? Would you believe for the restitution of all things, including a body not subject to death?



ISA 42:18 **Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.**

22 But this is a people robbed and spoiled; they are all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none delivereth; for a spoil, **and none saith, Restore.**

23 **Who among you will give ear to this? who will hearken and hear for the time to come?**

ACT 3:20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

21 **Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things,** which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

In the beginning of this writing, we discussed seven dimensions of scripture, past, present and future; spirit, soul and body; and all in all. By and large we have been dealing with understanding what scriptures apply to the spirit, the soul and the body. *For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.* <sup>HEB 4:12</sup> Now, we want to branch out into the other dimensions and look at timing and the all in all. Have you ever pondered the role that was placed upon a woman named Eve?

## EVE'S GARDEN OF CHOICE

How would you feel if the failure of the world had been put on your shoulders? If everyone blamed his or her shortcomings on one single act of yours, an act that you did with good intentions. If you were like most people you would probably resent it and possibly want a little revenge. Maybe this is why God says revenge is His. He is the only one that knows all of the circumstances, past present, and future and can weigh them in perfect balance.

Eve seemed to have made the biggest blunder of all time. Let's pause for a moment and try to understand what may have happened to Eve. Why did she eat and why did she insist on Adam eating of the forbidden fruit. Was she just selfish and self-centered? Or did she have something down deep inside driving her to do what she knew would cause her husband shame and generations upon generations would say she was responsible for the first sin?

We think that Eve loved Adam and did not eat to cause Adam to fall from grace. She did not want to be ejected from the garden. She had no conscious idea that one moment of weakness would cause such destruction. Then why did she eat and what pushed her to do something that she did not want to do? The easy answer was that the serpent persuaded her. Is this answer just too easy? Could it be that God is using Eve's circumstances to bring about the beginning of the redemption of the heavens? Heavens!? Why would there need to be a redemption of the heavens - isn't that a place of fluffy white clouds and angels singing on harps?

COL 1:19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;

20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, **by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.**

21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled.

REV 12:7 **And there was war in heaven:** Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

In the above narrative, we have discussed Eve as the wife of Adam and the mother of that race called man. But, we can also see that Eve is a type of the soul and there is a war in the heaven of our thoughts. But just why was man created? *What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels [elohim], and hast crowned him with glory and honour. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:* <sup>PSA 8:4</sup> So, man is part of an overall, all in all, plan to reconcile all things back to God - because God has put all things under his feet. Certainly, before the world was created, it was known that there would be a need for ... *the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.* <sup>REV 13:8</sup> Perhaps, the timeline for the fall is not quite what we thought it was. Perhaps, the fall began much earlier, and man is simply part of that overall plan to reconcile even the fallen elohim of Psalm 82. *That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:* <sup>EPH 1:10</sup> Let us examine a sequence of events as shown on the next page. Could it be that the creation of man is part of the restitution of all things?



GEN 28:12 And he dreamed, and **behold a ladder set up on the earth**, and **the top of it reached to heaven**: and behold the angels [messengers] of God [Elohim] **ascending** and **descending** on it

## THE FRAGMENTATION OF THE FALL A SERIES OF STEPS DOWN THE LADDER

### 1. The Initial Creation

GEN 1:1 In the beginning of God's [Elohim's] preparing the heavens and the earth - (YLT)

### 2. The Initial Fall

PSA 82:6 I have said, **Ye are gods** [elohims]; and all of **you are children of the most High** [El Elyon].  
7 But **ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes**.

GEN 1:2 **the earth hath existed waste and void, and darkness {is} on the face of the deep**, and the Spirit of God fluttering on the face of the waters,

### 3. The Beginning of Restoration

GEN 1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

GEN 1:27 **So God** [Elohim] **created man in his own image**, in the image of God [Elohim] **created he him; male and female created he them**.

GEN 2:7 And the LORD God [Yahweh Elohim] **formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul**.

### 4. The Fragmentation of the Adam into Adam and Eve

GEN 2:21 And the LORD God [Yahweh Elohim] caused a **deep sleep to fall upon Adam**, and he slept: and he took **one of his ribs**, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, **made he a woman**, and brought her unto the man.



### *Why was Man Allowed to be Tempted?*

ROM 8:20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, **not willingly**, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same **in hope**,

21 **Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God**.

Did the Most High God [*El Elyon*] know the outcome of what would happen in the garden before it happened? We think He did. However, what could be the purpose in allowing this to happen? Why have a garden of choices when it seems like Eve could almost be considered a pawn in a chess game? Yes, kids have a choice not to eat the ice cream stored in the refrigerator, but parents know what the eventual outcome will be. Sometimes as we trudge down a dusty road, it is very difficult to see very far ahead because of the dust, the curves and the hills. But, every now and then we are allowed to soar high in the spirit like an eagle and the Most High allows us to glimpse far down the road and we begin to understand the purpose of why things are the way they are.

HEB 1:1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, **by whom also he made the worlds;**

**JOH 14:12** Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, **the works that I do shall he do also;** and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

EPH 3:9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, **who created all things by Jesus Christ:**

Is it not true that God has great plans for man? Yes, it was by Jesus that the worlds were made. But, even as Jesus was and is a creator, the scriptures tell us that we will do the same works; thus, we, too are destined to become creators. Granted, our minds have not developed to the point to fathom all of this, but lets consider a more modest creation scenario. Suppose that we want to create a robot to assist us in our household chores. So, we go to the drawing board and design the robot mechanically and also begin to program it to carry out our wishes. So, the robot is designed and built and after some tweaking of the robot's design and programming, the robot serves us extremely well - in fact, it does exactly what we tell it to do.

One day as we contemplate the robot, an idea occurs to us. This robot could be even more valuable and helpful if it could think for itself. Suppose we were to remove the preplanned programming and give the robot the ability to make choices. But wait! Isn't this a very dangerous thing to do? If we give the robot choices, then one of the choices given it is not to do what we tell it to do. Maybe, this isn't such a good idea after all - its too much of a risk to take. Our very own creation might turn on us. However, after further contemplation, we decide that maybe its worth the risk. If we want to give the robot a personality - if we want that robot to express love - we also must be willing to give the robot the choice of choosing hate. Otherwise, a robot might be programmed to say, "I love you", but there wouldn't be any sincerity to it other than the programmed words, "I love you." So, the big day comes and we program choice into the robot. The direct connection between its executive program (spirit) and its discretionary programing (soul) is removed. The robot performs just like it did before but gradually the realization comes to the robot that it has a choice. Do we expect it to make choices? Yes. Will the day come that it will explore those choices and disobey us? Yes. Then, the days come when the robot really turns against us and we are saddened.

GEN 3:22 And the LORD God [*Yahweh Elohim*] said, **Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil:** and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

GEN 6:6 And it repented the LORD [*Yahweh*] that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.



# THE PLAN OF REDEMPTION FOR THE CREATURES WHO MADE THE WRONG CHOICES

PHI 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

**7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:**

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, **even the death of the cross.**

9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

**10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;**

Thus, when we face the same situations that the Yahweh Elohim had to deal with in the garden, we can begin to appreciate the plan that was executed to redeem a mankind that strayed away from God. In the context of our robot story, Jesus became a "robot" himself in order to win the love of the wayward creation and reconcile that creation back to God. However, this redeemed creation would be one that, given the choice of good and evil, was tested and would be one that truly chose to love. And for the men that would say, *The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.*, God even provided a scapegoat (other than Eve) called Jesus which would absolve the creation of the blame for their sins as they confessed them to God.

However, isn't true that there is an Eve (soul) in each of us, and that soul went to our husband (spirit) and convinced him also to partake in the eating of the forbidden fruit? Thus, our spirit became entangled in the flesh mind and our spirit and soul were broken.

JER 14:17 Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them; Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: **for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous blow.**

But the plan of salvation, provided for the untangling of our spirit husband burdened down with the flesh. And like Abraham, after he was circumcised from the flesh, the Sarah dimension of our soul would begin to be fruitful.

ROM 2:28 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:

29 But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; **and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit**, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

So, is it time to stop blaming our ancestors for their transgressions (Adam and particularly Eve) and take responsibility for our own actions and spiritual condition? Yes, these two ate the forbidden fruit in the garden, but God tells us that we can no longer use this as an excuse. *What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge? As I live, saith the Lord GOD, ye shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel.* <sup>EZE 18:2</sup> Instead, let us begin to look at the overall, all in all, plan which results in all creation being reconciled back to God - a tested creation that has a choice and has chosen to love! Let us build love, understanding and forgiveness for our ancestors as well as for each other. For it is true that *all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.?*

ROM 8:20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

**21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.**

# THE WALLS OF OUR CITY HAVE BEEN BROKEN DOWN AND OUR GATES BURNED WITH FIRE.

NEH 1:1 **The words of Nehemiah** the son of Hachaliah. And it came to pass in the month Chisleu, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the palace,

3 And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province are in great affliction and reproach: **the wall of Jerusalem also is broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.**

4 And it came to pass, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept ...

## THE GATES ARE NOT IN THE PHYSICAL CITY OF JERUSALEM; THEY ARE IN US.

JOH 2:19 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.**

20 Then said the Jews, **Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?**

21 **But he spake of the temple of his body.**

MAT 23:24 **Ye blind guides**, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

25 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees**, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.

## SPIRITUAL EAR AND EYE GATES CAN FALL INTO DISREPAIR

MAT 13:15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, and **their ears are dull of hearing**, and their eyes they have closed; **lest at any time they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears**, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

1SA 9:9 (Beforetime in Israel, when a man went to enquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let us go to the seer: **for he that is now called a Prophet was beforetime called a Seer.**)

GEN 3:7 **And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked;** and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons..

REV 3:6 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith** unto the churches.

Yes, it is true that our spiritual gates have been broken down. However, we are not working on repairing the old Jerusalem across the sea. We are working to bring about the descent of the New Jerusalem which shall be as a bride adorned for her husband. The gates of this New Jerusalem will not admit the condemnation and weak and beggarly concepts of the old religious establishment. These must be left outside the gate. Instead, a fresh breeze of the Spirit will blow throughout this city. It will be a place of reaching out to every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation. It will be a place of inclusion of all into the love of God rather than of exclusion. The old establishment will be shown a more excellent way.

REV 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.



*the wedding  
of the  
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## THE SPIRITUAL GATES SHALL BE OPEN

REV 21:25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.

26 And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Dear Father, *El Elyon*, Most High God, we come to you in the name of Yeshua, our Savior. Help us to understand the Adam and Eve within and heal our broken spirits. Help us to walk in the paths of salvation that our soul may be presented as a chaste bride to her husband in Christ. May the river of living water spring up within us and water the garden of our soul. May our spiritual gates be restored and may the love of God flow in and out of those gates to our brothers and sisters in Christ. May we be instruments of love to all peoples and all nations. May we be Christ's ambassadors in bringing about the restitution of all things. Amen.

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# Appendix A

## VAGUS NERVE STIMULATION USED TO TREAT THE SPIRIT OF HEAVINESS (DEPRESSION)

ISA 61:3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, **the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness**; that **they might be called trees of righteousness**, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

4 And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and **they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.**

### "Vagus Nerve Stimulation Successful For Depression

DALLAS, TX — December 16, 1999 - A nationwide clinical trial has shown Vagus Nerve Stimulation (VNS), an electrical stimulation therapy currently used to combat epilepsy, to be a promising new method for treating patients with severe treatment-resistant depression.

Results of the VNS pilot study showed that 40 percent of the treated patients displayed at least a 50 percent or greater improvement in their condition, according to the Hamilton Rating Scale for Depression, said Dr. A. John Rush, vice chairman for research in the Department of Psychiatry at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas and the study's lead investigator. Half the patients also had at least a 50-percent improvement on the Montgomery Asberg Depression Rating Scale. The condition of several patients improved so substantially that they were able to return to work or other normal activities. All the patients who responded to the treatment have continued to do well.

Results of the 30-patient study were published online in Biological Psychiatry in abstract form. Besides UT Southwestern, the clinical study was conducted at Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine, Charleston; Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and the New York State Psychiatric Institute, New York; and Baylor College of Medicine, Houston.

Approximately 18 million Americans suffer from depression, about 1 million of whom have severe treatment-resistant depression. "While the results are preliminary, since the study included only 30 participants, they are extremely encouraging and point toward the importance of conducting further research in this treatment area," said Rush. He also said that test results indicate that the treatment may have the potential to be used as an alternative to electroconvulsive therapy for some patients.

"For the first time in years, I can feel joy, real joy," said Joanne Tesoriero, a Texas grandmother treated during the pilot study and a lifelong sufferer of chronic depression. "VNS has enabled me to do what years of drugs and even ECT has not. I can fully appreciate my family, my children and my grandchildren. It is the best thing I have ever done."

The Food and Drug Administration has approved an expanded, 94-patient trial of VNS at up to 15 medical centers to begin next year. Houston-based Cyberonics, which helped fund the research, developed the treatment and devices. The firm has said that the study may ultimately involve 200 patients at up to 20 medical centers. The NCP System used to deliver VNS is not currently approved for the treatment of depression.

"The vagus nerve carries information to many areas of the brain that control mood, sleep and other functions," Rush said. VNS treatment involves stimulating the left vagus nerve in the neck with a series of miniscule electrical pulses traveling through a small surgically implanted wire attached to a pulse generator in the chest. The pulse generator delivers stimulation to the vagus nerve in individualized therapeutic "doses." " From Doctor's Guide, Personal Edition, see [webmaster@docguide.com](mailto:webmaster@docguide.com).

# APPENDIX B

Selected Excerpts from **The Feeling of What Happens**  
by Antonio Damasio are reviewed here to give our readers a  
view of what modern medicine is saying about consciousness.

## ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE (page 5)

Thirty-two years ago, a man sat across from me in a strange, entirely circular, gray-painted examining room. The afternoon sun was shining on us through a skylight as we talked quietly. Suddenly the man stopped, in midsentence, and his face lost animation; his mouth froze still open, and his eyes became vacuously fixed on some point on the wall behind me. For a few seconds he remained motionless. I spoke his name but there was no reply. Then he began to move a little, he smacked his lips, his eyes shifted to the table between, he seemed to see a cup of coffee and a small metal vase of flowers; he must have, because he picked up the cup and drank from it. I spoke to him again and again he did not reply. He touched the vase. I asked him what going on, and he did not reply, his face had not expression. He did not look at me. Now, he rose to his feet and I was nervous; I did not know what to expect. I called his name and he did not reply. When would this end? Now he turned around and walked slowly to the door. I got up and called him again. He stopped, he looked at me and some expression return to his face--he looked perplexed I called him again, and he said "What?"

For a brief period, which seemed like ages, this man suffered from an impairment of consciousness. Neurologically speaking, he had an absence seizure followed by an absence automatism, two among many manifestations of epilepsy, a condition caused by brain dysfunction. This was not my first exposure to impaired consciousness but it was the most intriguing yet. From a first-person perspective, I knew what it was like to dissolve into unsolicited unknowingness and to return to consciousness--I had lost consciousness once, as a kid, in an accident, and I had general anesthesia once, as an adolescent. I also had seen patients in coma and observed, from a third-person perspective, what a state of unconsciousness looked like. In all of instances, however, as well as in falling asleep or waking up the loss of consciousness was radical, something like a complete power outage.

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## Appendix B (Continued)

### Selected Excerpts from **The Feeling of What Happens**

#### *Emotion and Feeling after Spinal Cord Transection* (page 289)

The idea that inputs from the body are relevant to feelings is often based on the false notion that patients with spinal cord transection caused by injury should not be able to emote or feel. The problems, say the critics, is that they seem to be able to emote and to feel. Yet, only a part of the body input most relevant for feelings travels in the spinal cord. First, a considerable part of the relevant information actually travels in nerves such as the vagus, which exit and enter the brain at the level of the brain stem, well above the highest level of the spinal cord possibly damaged by an accident. Likewise, only a part of the enactment of emotions depends on the spinal cord: a large proportion the process is mediated by cranial nerves at brain-stem level (which can act on the face and the viscera) and by other brain-stem nuclei (which can act directly on the brain above their level).

#### *Lessons from Locked-In Syndrome* page 292

One of the most intriguing, albeit indirect, lines of evidence for the importance of body input in the generation of feelings come from locked-in syndrome. As discussed in chapter 8, locked-in occurs when a part of the brain stem such as the pons, or midbrain is damaged anteriorly, in its ventral aspect, rather than posteriorly, in its dorsal aspect. The motor pathways which convey signal to the skeletal muscles are destroyed, and only one pathway for vertical movement of the eyes is spared, sometimes not completely. The lesions that cause locked-in are placed directly in front of the area whose lesions cause coma or persistent vegetative state, yet locked-in patients have an intact consciousness. They cannot move any muscle in their face, limbs, or trunk, and their communication ability is usually limited to vertical movements of the eyes, sometimes one eye only. But they remain awake, alert, and conscious of their mental activity. The voluntary blinking of these patients is their sole means of communicating with the outside world. Using a blink to signify a letter of the alphabet is the laborious technique with which locked-in patients compose words, sentences, and even books, slowly dictated--one should say blinked--to an attentive note taker. ...

Another line of evidence corroborating this interpretation comes from patients undergoing surgery who receive an injection of curare, a substance that blocks the activity of skeletal muscles by acting on the nicotinic receptors of acetylcholine. If curare acts before proper induction anesthesia suspends consciousness, the patients become aware of their paralysis. Like patients with locked-in, curarized patients are able to hear the conversations of those around. Based on reports obtained after the event, these patients are less calm than patients with locked-in and closer to what one might expect if one imagines being in the same situation.

#### *Learning from Emotion with Help of the Body* Page 294

A recent series of learning experiments also provides evidence for the role of the body in emotion. It has been demonstrated, in both rats and humans, that recall of new facts is enhanced by the presence of certain degrees of emotion during learning. James McGaugh and his colleagues have led these studies whose results are now well confirmed.<sup>8</sup> For instance, if you are told two stories of comparable length that have a comparable number of facts, differing only because in one of them the facts have a high emotional content, you will remember far detail from the emotional story than from the other. You may be pleased to know that we have this in common with rats when they are placed in an equivalent situation. They, too, have better success in a standard learning situation when a certain amount of emotion happens at the right time. Now, after the vagus nerves of the rats are severed, emotion no longer helps their performance. Why so? Well, without the vagus, the rats are also deprived of substantial visceral input to the brain. It must be the case that the particular visceral input now missing is vital for the sort of emotion that assists learning.

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